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Cromwell Advertisements

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

FAMILY GROCERS,

WINE, SPIRIT, AND GENERAL MERCHANTS.

We desire to intimate that in order to meet the growing exigencies of our business, we have lately built substantial stone additions to our former premises.
At the urgent request of our numerous customers, we have added to our other branches of business, that of

DRAPERY, CROCKERY, & IRONMONGERY.

We would further notify that, having engaged a Buyer in connection with our business to select special lines consigned from the Home and Melbourne markets, we will in future be in a position to offer such superior advantages to our customers as will not fail to ensure a continuance of their liberal patronage, and, more especially, will command the attention and confidence of the Trade, Runholders, and Large Buyers.

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.

Our GROCERY STOCK comprises:

Teas, of excellent flavour, in chests, half-chests, and boxes
Coffees, from the pure bean, ground on the premises
Cocoa, Chocolate, of the best brands
Sugars: crystals of every shade, and crushed loaf
Bacon, Cheese, Butter: weekly supplies from the best dairies
Jams, Jellies, and Pickles

Candles: best brands
Soap: treble crown, blue mottled, household, scented in bars, cakes, and boxes
Vestas, by approved makers
Salt: table, fine, and coarse
Raisins: Muscatels, Sultanas, and Elemes
Oils: salad, castor, and kerosene
Sauces: Lea and Perrins, Mushroom, Nabob, and assorted

TOBACCOS.

Imperial, Aromatic, cable-twist—superior
Cameron's celebrated brands—Havelock, Golden Bar, Venn's tens
Barrett's Twist, in quarter-tierces and boxes.

Water Lily, Over the Water, navy sixes
Cut Tobaccos, in pound, half-pound, and quarter-pound tins, and in bulk.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Brandies: Hennessy's, Associated Vineyard, Martell's, in bulk and case
Whiskies: Old Glenury, Islay, Longjohn's, in bulk and case
Rum: Lemon Hart's
Port: Fine old Oflley's, six grape
Sherry: Gonzola, six diamond
Gin: JOKZ Geneva, Nectar, and Kummell
Old Tom: Burnett's, Bernard's
Claret: St. Julien's

Moselle: No. 2
Hock: Gold Leaf
Ginger Wine, in bulk and case
Ales: Tennent's, Younger's, and Colonial.
Porter: Blood's, Byass's, Guinness's, and Colonial
Cordials: assorted
Sarsaparilla: Singleton's, Townsend's
Bitters: Selner's, Stoughton's

IRONMONGERY STOCK consists of

Blasting powder and fuse
Gunpowder, caps, and shot
Long and short handled shovels
Spades, sluice forks
Picks and pickhandles
Gold dishes, hose-pipes
Drills and drilling hammers
Manilla and flax ropes
White lead, castor, boiled, and colza oils
Galvanised and corrugated iron
Stoves and piping

Billies and pannikins
Tea-kettles, iron and tin
Galvanised iron buckets and tubs
Iron boilers
Enamelled and tinned stew and saucepans
Axes and axe-handles
Nails, cut and wrought
Tacks, clout and American cut
Garden rakes, hoes, and spades
Cutlery, a large assortment
Carpenters' tools of every description.

CANVAS, SADDLERY, AND BRUSHWARE.

HOLT'S SEWING MACHINES: CABINET AND HAND.

DRAPERY & CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Suits: silk-mixture, Galatea, Paget, sac
Boys' do.
Trousers and Vests: Mosgiel, silk-mixed, tweed, doeskin
Shirts: white dress, crimeans, scotch twill, tweed
Pants and undershirts, in flannel, lamb's-wool, merino, and cotton
Hosiery and hats

Dress materials: wineceys, French merinos, all-wool plaids, prints
Flannels; Calicoes, bleached and unbleached
Blankets, rugs, quilts
Table-covers, bed and toilet-covers.
Cocoa and felt matting
Hessian, bed-ticking, carpets
Top, waterproof, and tweed coats; etc., etc.

BOOTS & SHOES.

Boots: men's elastic-sides, watertights, half-Wellingtons; Hayward and North British Gum Boots
Women's and children's Boots, Shoes, and Slippers, in calf, kid, and cashmere.
N.B.—All goods in this department are marked at low prices.

CROCKERYWARE.

Breakfast, dinner, and bedroom sets complete
Lamps: parlour, hanging, bracket

China, glass, and earthenware goods of every description

FILTERS, VASES, AND LUSTRES.

FANCY GOODS.

Electro-plated Britannia-metal tea and coffee pots; meerschaut and briar pipes—a choice selection; patent medicines; stationery; perfumery.

COLONIAL PRODUCE: Wheat, Oats, Chaff, Pollard, and Potatoes.

D. A. J. & Co. have been appointed sole agents for the sale of Butel Bros.' superior silk-dressed flour, bran, and pollard; and are prepared to promptly execute all orders within a radius of sixty miles.—FLOUR GUARANTEED. TERMS LIBERAL.

SHAMROCK STORE,
CROMWELL.

WILLIAM SHANLY,

FAMILY GROCER,

GENERAL STOREKEEPER,

is carrying on business at the old-established premises, next to the Bank of New South Wales, Melmore-street.

The BEST QUALITY of GOODS only is kept in stock.

All orders will meet with prompt attention.

SWAN BREWERY,
CROMWELL.

GOODGER AND KUHTZE,

Proprietors.

GOODGER AND KUHTZE are now prepared to supply their unrivalled XXXX ALES in any quantity.

Orders left with Mr G. W. Goodger, Cromwell, or at the Brewery, will be promptly attended to.

GOODGER & KUHTZE.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE.

I. HALLENSTEIN and Co.,

CROMWELL, QUEENSTOWN, LAWRENCE, DUNEDIN, & MELBOURNE,

DIRECT IMPORTERS.

Having just removed into our NEW PREMISES, in respectfully thanking the Public for their past support, and soliciting a continuance of their patronage, we beg to assure them that our object in future will be, in order to meet the increasing demand, to keep much larger and better-assorted stock of

DRAPERY, CLOTHING, BOOTS, & GENERAL GOODS

than hitherto,—the best, in fact, ever seen out of Dunedin,—which we will sell at prices that will defy competition. Our motto will strictly be

"SMALL PROFITS AND QUICK RETURNS."

We beg specially to draw attention to our splendid stock of

DRESS GOODS,

Comprising Silks, Poplins, Repp, Twills, Mohair, Merinos, Llamas, Batistes, Prints, Wineceys, Gingham, Alpacos, Lustres, &c. (We can offer some really good Bargains in the above line.)
Also, Ladies' Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, latest style, just received from Melbourne.

Our Stock of

UNDERLINEN, CALICOES, BLANKETS, &c. &c.,

Will be found to comprise every quality, and are on sale at extremely low figures.

OUR CLOTHING DEPARTMENT

Is stocked entirely from our DUNEDIN CLOTHING FACTORY.

THE BOOT & SHOE DEPARTMENT

Includes every description of Men's, Women's, and Children's Boots, of all qualities and prices.

A large supply of WHEAT, OATS, BRAN, & POLLARD always on hand.

Being the only authorised agents for

ROBERTSON & HALLENSTEIN'S BRUNSWICK FLOUR MILLS,
LAKE WAKATIPU,

We are prepared to supply their best Silk-dressed Flour, guaranteed equal to Adelaide.

GROCERIES, WINES, SPIRITS, & PROVISIONS.

IRONMONGERY & CROCKERY.

TIMBER AND BUILDING MATERIALS OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS.

PAPERHANGINGS, OILS, & PAINTS.

GRINDERY AND SADDLERY.

PATENT MEDICINES OF ALL KINDS.

FURNITURE AND BEDDING.

We beg to invite the Public to come and inspect the premises and Stock, and judge for themselves.

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.

WHOLESALE, RETAIL, AND GENERAL MERCHANTS,
MELMORE TERRACE, CROMWELL.

Cromwell

BELFAST STORE,
CLYDE AND CROMWELL.

WINES, SPIRITS, GROCERIES, HARD-
WARE, COLONIAL PRODUCE,
&c. &c. &c.

JAMES HAZLETT

Begs to inform the Public of the Dunstan Dis-
trict that, in connection with his established
business of ten years at Clyde, he has opened
EXTENSIVE PREMISES AT CROMWELL,
where he will be able to supply the Trade, Run-
holders, Farmers, and Private Families, with
EVERY CLASS OF GOODS, of the very best
description, at the lowest current rates.

JAMES HAZLETT would particularly mention
that in the **FLOUR & COLONIAL PRODUCE**
BUSINESS he can defy competition, as in that
line he is in connection with Messrs **WHITTING-
HAM BROTHERS,** of Queenstown, who are the
largest buyers in the Lake District.

J. HAZLETT, being a **CASH BUYER** in the
Dunedin and Melbourne Markets, feels confident
he can sell the cheapest and best article in the
District, and invites a visit from Purchasers.

Note the address:

JAMES HAZLETT,
CLYDE AND CROMWELL.

WILLIAM TAYLOR,
BOOTMAKER,

MELMORE STREET ... CROMWELL

Has a large and varied stock of Boots and Shoes
on hand, of the best quality.

An inspection of the stock is invited.

Boots and Shoes made to order in the latest and
most approved fashion.

ALL WORK GUARANTEED.

PRICES MODERATE.

**FREE TRADE BUTCHERY,**
(Wholesale and Retail).

JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams,
Bacon, &c., always on hand.

*Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout
the district.

**CROMWELL BUTCHERY**
(WHOLESALE AND RETAIL),

OWEN PIERCE - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Meat of all descriptions always on
hand, and sold at the Lowest Prices.

GREAT BARGAINS
GREAT BARGAINS!

Just Received,

An assortment of first-class Silver Hunting
LEVER WATCHES,
By the best London makers—all warranted.

ALSO,

Fine Lot of **JEWELLERY** and **CLOCKS.**

Inspection invited.

E. MURRELL,
Watchmaker, Cromwell.

NOTICE.

COALS! COALS!! COALS!!!

The Cromwell Coal Works will in future be
carried on by **WILLIAMS & HAYES,** who
have much pleasure in calling the attention of
the inhabitants of the Cromwell District to their
New Seam of Coal, which is far superior to any
hitherto obtained in the same works, or in any
other portion of the District. They therefore
respectfully solicit a continuance of the patron-
age heretofore bestowed, with the conviction
that that patronage will be deserved.

All orders entrusted to us will be attended to
at once, and on the shortest notice, as we intend
to keep a good supply of coals at the pit-mouth.
Coals delivered anywhere, either in or out of the
district; and lowest cartage prices charged.

20s. per ton at the Works.

32s. „ delivered.

16 bags to the ton.

WILLIAMS & HAYES,
Coal Works, Cromwell.

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NEW DISCOVERY!**GREAT RUSH**

TO THE

GREAT CLEARING SALE

—AT—

LONDON HOUSE, CROMWELL.**GREAT BARGAINS.**

Fancy Dresses, 10s 6d, 12s 6d, 15s. Lustres in all shades, 1s 6d
French Merinos, 2s 3d yard. Winceys and Skirtings, 1s and 1s 3d
All-wool Plaid, double width, 3s; single width, 1s 9d
Prints, fast colours, 8d yard. Batiste Cloth for Dresses, 10d yard
Hollands, 8d, 10d, 1s; usual price, 11d, 1s 1d, and 1s 5d
White and Unbleached Calico, yard wide, 6s 9d dozen
Costumes from 22s 6d. Skirts, 7s 6d
Hosiery and Fancy Goods greatly reduced
Stays and Underclothing very cheap
Remnants—Remnants—Remnants
Ladies' Straw Hats from 1s 9d.

CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Tweed Suits, 39s 6d. Colonial Tweed Suits, 42s 6d
Trousers and Vest, 18s 6d, 25s; Dunedin made, 30s
Tweed Trousers, 11s 6d, 13s 6d, 16s; Corded Tweed, 16s 6d
Mole Trousers, 7s 6d, 8s 6d; best, 9s 6d
Boys' Knicker Suits, 11s 6d. Youths' Eton, 27s 6d, 30s
Trousers, Trousers and Vests, Men's and Boys' Suits
Slightly damaged by Fire.
Knitted Drawers, 6s 6d, 7s, 7s 6d; Cotton ditto, 3s 6d, 4s, 4s 6d
Flannels, 5s 6d, 6s 6d; best, 7s 6d
Heavy Plaid Shirts, 10s 9d—usual price 13s 6d
Plaid Shirts, 8s 6d, worth 11s 6d; 6s 6d, worth 9s 9d; Tweed ditto, 5s 6d
Crape Shirts, 7s 6d, 8s 6d, 10s 6d. Jean Shirts, 2s 9d, 3s 6d, 4s 6d
Felt Hats from 3s. Straw Hats from 1s 9d.

BOOTS. BOOTS.

Ladies' Kid Boots, 7s 6d, 8s 6d, 9s 6d; Slippers, 4s 6d, 5s 6d
Children's Copper-toe Elastic-side Boots, 7s 6d
Dunedin and Christchurch made Watertights, 18s 6d
Elastic Sides, 12s 6d, 15s, 17s 6d.

ALL GOODS EQUALLY REDUCED.

The above are Cash Prices only, and any goods booked will be charged the usual price.

W. TALBOYS,

LONDON HOUSE, CROMWELL.

CHEAP HOUSE, CROMWELL,

(OPPOSITE COUNCIL CHAMBERS).

J. SOLOMON,

THE ORIGINAL AND GENUINE

CHEAP DRAPER AND CLOTHIER.

J. S., in thanking the residents of Cromwell and surrounding districts for their
valuable support since he established in the district, begs to assure all that he intends
keeping up the name he has made, of being

THE CHEAPEST DRAPER AND CLOTHIER IN CROMWELL!

Don't forget J. S. was the first to bring down the prices of Drapery, Clothing,
Boots, &c., and, with a fair share of support, he is determined to keep them down, and
Sell Cheaper than any other house in Cromwell.

Come Early, and See the Largest, Best Assorted, and Cheapest Stock in Cromwell,
now being displayed at **J. SOLOMON'S NEW PREMISES.**

DRAPERY, MILLINERY, &c.

Ladies', Maids', and Children's Drapery and
Clothing of every description.

Splendid Assortment of Ladies' Polonaises,
Dresses, made up and in the piece, in every
variety of shade and texture.

New Stock of Silk Dresses, Silk and Velvet
Jackets; large Stock of Hats, trimmed
and untrimmed.

Calicoes, Winceys, Flannels, Hollands,
Lins, Blankets, Tweeds, Lustres, Persian
and Russell Cords, Handkerchiefs, Merinos,
Stays, Underclothing, Waterproofs, Cotton
and Woollen Hose.

Handsome Stock of Carpets.

Beautiful goods in Ruffles, Laces, Collars
and Cuffs, Silk Scarfs, and Silk Bows.

Alloa and Fingering Yarns.

THE CLOTHING DEPARTMENT

Comprises Men's, Youth's, and Boys' Clothing
of every variety in color and quality.

Crimean Shirts, Flannel Undershirts, Boys'
and Youths' Shirts.

Mens', Youths', and Boys' Hats and Caps.

Mens', Youths', and Boys' Half-hose, in
Merino, Cotton, and Wool. Lamb's wool
Rib'd Pants, Plaiding Pants, Waterproof
Coats.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

Ladies' and Children's, Men's, Youths' and
Boys—the Best Stock in Cromwell.

Fancy Goods and Patent Medicines.

Jewelry, Saddlery, Crockery and Glassware.

J. S.'s motto has been, from the first day he opened, to

SELL CHEAPER THAN ANY OTHER HOUSE IN CROMWELL,

and he intends sticking to the original motto, and

NO HUMBUG!

J. SOLOMON,

CHEAP HOUSE, MELMORE TERRACE.

Cromwell

CROMWELL TIMBER & IRON YARD

LATE MR GRANT'S

NEW ZEALAND & AMERICAN TIMBER YARD

JAMES TAYLOR,

Carpenter and Builder, Ironmonger,



Has **FOR SALE** all kinds of Building Material
suitable for the district.

Estimates given for Buildings at the **Lowest**
Prices compatible with Good Material and
Workmanship.

Punctuality and attention to all orders may
be relied on.

A Large Assortment of Paperhangings,
Paints, Glass, FURNITURE—comprising Chairs,
Tables, Washstands, Iron Bedsteads, &c.

Building Ironmongery, Carpenters' and Miners'
Tools, Hemp, Wire, and Manilla Rope,
SADDLERY, &c., cheap.

VICTORIA JUNCTION HOTEL,
CROMWELL.**JAMES STUART,**

(Late of the Ferry Hotel, Bannockburn.)

Begs to intimate to his friends and the public
that he has purchased the above Hotel, where
he hopes, by strict attention to business, and by
keeping the best Wines and Spirits, to merit a
share of public patronage.

A first-class table kept, and superior stone stab-
ling in course of erection.

N.B.—The nearest Hotel to the Courthouse.

K. PRETSCHE,
CROMWELL,

COACH AND GENERAL PAINTER,
PAPERHANGER, &c.

Has always on hand a fine selection of Paper-
hangings, Paints, Glass, and Mouldings of every
description, at low prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting.
Paperhanging, Decoration,
and Sign Writing.

NOTICE.

BOOT AND SHOE MAKING.

WILLIAM HOWE,

begs to intimate to the public of Crom-
well and surrounding Districts that he has
begun business as Boot and Shoe Maker in the
premises lately erected by him two doors above
Mr Baird's residence, Upper Melmore Street,
Cromwell.

Having had a long experience in the trade,
W. H. is confident that he will give every satis-
faction to those who may entrust him with their
orders.

Good stock of Boots and Shoes always on
hand at reasonable prices.

Repairs neatly and cheaply executed.

Note the address:—Upper Melmore Street.

THOMAS FOOTE,**TAILOR AND CLOTHIER,**

MELMORE TERRACE,

CROMWELL.

Ladies' Riding Habits made to order.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,**SHAREBROKER, COMMISSION**

AGENT,

ARBITRATOR, AND ACCOUNTANT
CROMWELL.

Having arranged to devote my time exclusively
to these occupations, business entrusted to
my care will receive every attention.

Agent for the New Zealand Fire Insurance
Company.

REMOVAL.**CROMWELL APOTHECARIES'**

HALL removed to

Mr J. SOLOMON'S former Premises,
Next the Golden Age Hotel.

MAX GALL,

PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST.
Prescriptions accurately prepared.

Dealer in Fancy Goods, Perfumery, Stationery,
Tobacco and Cigars.

NEWS AGENT & BOOKSELLER.

M. G. is happy to be able to state that, busi-
ness having greatly increased, prices for medi-
cines will in future be considerably reduced
from former rates.

ALL CURES MADE EASY

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT

Bad Legs, Ulcers, Sores, Bad Breasts, and Old Wounds.

No description of wound, sore, or ulcer can resist the healing properties of this excellent Ointment. The worst cases readily assume a healthy appearance whenever this medicament is applied; a sound flesh springs up from the bottom of the wound, inflammation of the surrounding skin is arrested, and a complete and permanent cure quickly follows the use of the Ointment.

Piles, Fistulas, and Internal Inflammation.

These distressing and weakening diseases may with certainty be cured by the sufferers themselves, if they will use Holloway's Ointment, and closely attend to the printed instructions. It should be well rubbed upon the neighbouring parts, when all obnoxious matter will be removed, a poultice of bread and water may sometimes be applied at bed-time with advantage; the most scrupulous cleanliness must be observed. If those who read this paragraph will bring it under the notice of such of their acquaintance whom it may concern, they will render a service which will never be forgotten, as a cure is certain.

Rheumatism, Gout, and Neuralgia.

Nothing has the power of reducing inflammation and subduing pain in these complaints in the same degree as Holloway's cooling Ointment and purifying Pills. When used simultaneously, they drive all inflammation and depravities from the system, subdue and remove all enlargement of the joints, and leave the sinews and muscles lax and uncontracted. A cure may always be effected even under the worst circumstances, if the use of these medicines be persevered in.

Sore Throats, Diphtheria, Quinsy, Mumps, and all other Derangements of the Throat.

On the appearance of any of these maladies, the Ointment should be well rubbed, at least three or four times a day, upon the neck and upper part of the chest, so as to penetrate to the glands, as salt is forced into meat. This course will at once remove inflammation and ulceration. The worst cases will yield to this treatment if the printed directions be followed.

Scrofula, or King's Evil, and Swelling of the Glands.

This class of cases may be cured by Holloway's purifying Pills and Ointment, as their double action of purifying the blood and strengthening the system renders them more suitable than any other remedy for all complaints of a scrofulous nature. As the blood is impure, the liver, stomach, and bowels, being much deranged, require purifying medicine to bring about a cure.

Eruptions, Scald Head, Ringworm, and other Skin Diseases.

After fomentation with warm water, the most relief and speediest cure can be readily obtained of all complaints affecting the skin and joints, by the simultaneous use of the Ointment and Pills. But it must be remembered that almost all skin diseases indicate depravity of the blood and derangement of the liver and stomach; consequently, in many cases, time is required to purify the blood, which will be effected by a judicious use of the Pills. The general health will readily be improved, although the eruption may be driven out more freely than before; and this should be promoted. Perseverance is necessary.

Bad Legs	Scalds
Bad Breasts	Sore Nipples
Burns	Sore Throats
Bunions	Skin Diseases
Bite of Mosquitoes and Sandflies	Scurvy
Coco-bay	Sore Heads
Chiego-foot	Tumours
Chilblains	Ulcers
Fistulas	Wounds and Yaws
Gout	Cancers
Glandular Swollings	Contracted and Stiff Joints
Lumbago	Elephantiasis
Piles	Chapped Hands
Rheumatism	Corns (soft)

There is a considerable saving by taking the larger sizes.

N.B.—Directions for the guidance of patients in every disorder are affixed to each box and can be had in any language—even in Chinese.

CROMWELL POST-OFFICE.

MAILS CLOSE:

For Quartzville, Carrickton, Nevis, and Nevis Crossing, every Tuesday, at 8 a.m. sharp.
For Bendigo, every Tuesday, at 8 a.m.
For Laggate, Bendigo, Albertown, Pembroke, and Cardrona, every Thursday, at 8 a.m.
For Clyde, Dunedin, and intervening offices, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 2.30 p.m.
For Dunedin, via Teviot, Tuapeka, and Tokomairiro, every Monday, at 2.30 p.m.
For Kawanau Gorge, Edwards's, Gibbston, Morven Ferry, Arrowtown, Frankton and Queenstown, every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9 p.m.

MAILS ARRIVE:

From Nevis, Carrickton, Quartzville, and Bannockburn, every Wednesday, at 2 p.m.
From Cardrona, Albertown, Pembroke, Laggate, and Bendigo, every Friday, at 2 p.m.
From Bendigo, every Wednesday, at 2 p.m.
From Dunedin, Clyde, and intervening offices, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at 9 a.m.
From Queenstown, Frankton, Arrowtown, Morven Ferry, Gibbston, Edwards's, and Kawanau Gorge, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 3 p.m.

C. E. NICHOLAS,
Postmaster.

Cromwell

HENRICH BEHRENS,
having purchased from Mr La Fontaine the business lately carried on by him in Cromwell as

WHEELWRIGHT AND COACH-BUILDER,
Begg to announce that he will carry on the same as before, in the premises opposite the Bank of New South Wales.
Good work guaranteed; and prices moderate.
Repairs promptly executed.

GOLDEN AGE LIVERY & BAIT STABLES.

THOMAS GILMOUR,
Having leased the Stabling in connection with the Golden Age Hotel, Cromwell, begs to assure travellers and others that every attention and care will be paid to horses entrusted to him.

Saddle Horses always on Hire.
Horses well and carefully Broken to Saddle and Harness.

GOLDEN AGE STABLES,
Melmore Terrace, Cromwell.

PROSPECTUS OF THE CROWN AND CROSS QUARTZ MINING COMPANY, CARRICK RANGE.

The proprietors of the above Company, being anxious to erect a crushing-mill on or adjacent to their valuable quartz claim, known as the Crown and Cross, beg to lay the following facts before the investing public, with the hope that the object as stated may be carried out.

The ground now held by the proprietors is an ordinary six men's claim,—600 feet along the line of reef by 300 feet wide,—and within these boundaries are two if not more lines of reef, both of which have been proved to contain gold. From the first a yield was obtained of some 300 ozs. of gold, but owing to the charges for carting and crushing did not prove payable. The other reef, however, yielded the handsome return of 212 ozs. retorted gold from 180 tons of quartz. This crushing paid a good dividend. But if the battery had been on the ground, the results would have proved even more encouraging. The proprietors have now 120 tons of quartz from this latter reef on its way to the mill.

The proprietors have traced this reef 300 feet along the surface, finding it to carry payable gold throughout; and have sunk two shafts, one 30 and the other 40 feet, from which the above quartz was obtained. They have also driven a tunnel in 80 feet, which has cut the reef two feet thick at a depth of 75 feet from the surface. In the reef at this depth gold is plainly visible. By continuing this tunnel, the other reef would be cut at a depth of 180 feet.

Professor Ulrich, when inspecting this mine, gave it as his opinion that the proprietors would cut yet another reef, known as the Try Again, which would considerably enhance the value of the property now offered.

The proprietors purpose floating the company as follows:—The capital will be £6000, in 3000 shares of £2 each, of which 30s. will be paid up, leaving 10s. on call. The present proprietors will retain two-thirds of these, and now offer the balance to the public. As soon as 1000 shares are applied for, they bind themselves to devote £750 of the proceeds to erect the crushing-mill on the claim,—the said mill being in the first place to crush the company's stone, and, when disengaged, to crush for the public at a remunerative rate. The proprietors have secured an excellent mill-site at the junction of the two branches of Smith's gully, from which they can obtain a plentiful supply of water for crushing purposes. It is the intention to drive the mill by steam power at the beginning, and until more water shall be available for the motive power.

For any further particulars respecting the above property, apply to

HERBERT, WATSON, & COTTON,
On the ground; or
JAMES MARSHALL,
Cromwell.

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Self Help.—In sickness it was a momentous matter to find an easy, ready, and reliable remedy for outward disfigurements and inward disorders until these inestimable preparations were made known. No invalid need now be at a loss in successfully managing ulcers, sores, tumours, boils, bruises, sprains, &c. Enveloping Holloway's medicines are very intelligible printed directions for using them, which should be attentively studied and immediately followed by all who resort to his treatment. Sooner or later the sufferer will assuredly triumph over the worst diseases. This searching Ointment disperses all those malignant humours which aggravate diseases of the skin, prevent the cicatrization of ulcers, and ever kindle inflammatory tendencies in the system.

Cromwell

CROMWELL VETERINARY SHOEING FORGE,
Next door to
KIDD'S CROMWELL HOTEL.

ROBERT WISHART,
General Blacksmith, Farrier, Machinist, &c.,
Begg to intimate to the public that he has purchased the business from Mr EDWARD LINDSAY, as Farrier and Blacksmith, and hopes by paying strict attention to business, and turning out good substantial work of all kinds, guaranteed, to merit a continuance of public support.

R. W. begs to intimate to the public generally that he has purchased the CAST-IRON BFD for TIRING WHEELS from Mr LINDSAY, being the first introduced up-country; and in this branch he will guarantee to give every satisfaction.

Horses shod on the latest and most approved principle.
Light Shoes 12s.
Draught do. 17s.

R. WISHART,
Veterinary Shoeing Forge.



THE CROMWELL BAKERY
J. SCOTT,
BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,
Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

V. MINING LEASES REGULATIONS.
PROVINCE OF OTAGO, NEW ZEALAND.
March 19, 1875.

To the Warden, Cromwell.

Sir,—I have this day paid to the District Surveyor the sum required for the survey of the following gold mining lease application, as required by the Gold Mining Leases Regulations of Otago, and I agree, upon approval of this application, to execute a lease upon the bases therein stated, if the Governor or his Delegate shall think fit to grant the same.—I have the honour to be, sir, your obedient servant,
CHARLES COLCLOUGH.

Name and address in full of applicant.—
Charles Colclough.

Style under which it is intended to conduct the business.—The Central Quartz Mining Company, Limited.

Extent of Land applied for.—400 yards by 200 yards.

Minimum number of men to be employed by the lessee.—For the first three months, two men; subsequently, when in full work, 10 men.

Amount of capital proposed to be invested.—£2000.

Proposed mode of working the land.—Sinking shafts and driving.

Precise locality.—North of Cromwell Company's second lease, and abutting on Lucknow Company's second lease.

Term for which lease is required.—Fifteen years.

Time of commencing operations.—On issue of certificate.

The above application and any objection thereto will be heard before me, at Cromwell, on 7th May, 1875. Any person desiring to object to the issue of a mining lease upon the above application must, within 48 clear days from the date of such application, enter his objection at my office.

W. LAWRENCE SIMPSON,
Warden.

FOR SALE.

ONE FOURTH SHARE
in the
ATALANTA SLUICING CLAIM,
CARDRONA.

To a person desirous of settling down, it is seldom such an opportunity occurs, and any comment on this really good mining property would be useless.

The only reason for selling is another engagement. For particulars of yield, etc., apply to

A. E. FARQUHAR,
Branch Creek, Cardrona; or
CHARLES COLCLOUGH,
Cromwell.

Cromwell

SEVEN PER CENT DEBENTURES.
£2000.

Under authority of the Municipal Corporations Waterworks Act, 1872.

The CORPORATION OF CROMWELL is prepared to receive applications for 40 DEBENTURES, of £50 each, at £46.

A deposit of £5 per debenture must be paid on application, and balance on acceptance. Each debenture will bear interest from February 10.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Town Clerk.

Applications will be duly numbered on receipt, and dealt with consecutively.

Bannockburn

CARRICK RANGE HOTEL,
QUARTZVILLE.

CHARLES PEAKE,
Proprietor.

The Proprietor, having recently purchased the above well-known and centrally-situated Hotel, is now in a position to offer first-class accommodation to all who may favour him with their patronage.

The Premises are fitted up and furnished on the most complete scale, and the arrangements for the comfort of visitors and travellers are second to none in the district.

COMMODIOUS BILLIARD ROOM,
fitted with one of Julius Paser's full-sized tables

AN EXCELLENT SIX-STALLED STABLE,
with careful groom always in attendance.

183 **CHARLES PEAKE.**

BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,
DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,

(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock.

The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from Dunedin, are retailed at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

N.P.—Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

JOHN RICHARDS, PROPRIETOR.

WILLIAM SUTHERLAND,
General

BLACKSMITH & FARRIER,
Begg to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that he has removed to
QUARTZVILLE,

where he hopes, by strict attention to business and reasonable charges, to merit a share of the public patronage.

A DAMS'S GULLY COAL-PIT,
BANNOCKBURN.

GEORGE COCKBURN

Begg to inform the Inhabitants of the Cromwell and Bannockburn Districts that he has opened a Coal-Pit as above, and is prepared to supply Coal of first-class quality and in any quantity at lowest current rates.

Large consumers contracted with on reasonable terms.

BANNOCKBURN TIMBER YARD
AND CARPENTER'S SHOP.

JAMES TAYLOR,

CROMWELL TIMBER AND IRON YARD,
Begg to inform the Residents of BANNOCKBURN, NEVIS, PORTERS, &c., that in order to meet the increasing requirements of those districts, he has opened a Branch Establishment at Doctor's Flat, opposite Mr Richards' Store.

A good supply of TIMBER and IRON for Building and Mining purposes always on hand.

Best Material and Workmanship Cheap for Cash.

BANNOCKBURN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

After Monday, April 27th, the Bannockburn Library will be in the SCHOOLMASTER'S RESIDENCE, Smith's Gully.

Terms of Subscription:
Five Shillings entrance fee; and One Shilling a Month, payable quarterly in advance.

New Discovery.—Great Rush to the Great Clearing Sale at the London House.—W. Talboys would call the attention of the public to the cheapest sale ever held in Cromwell, and is fully aware that it is only necessary to make it known to cause a GREAT RUSH, for the public know from experience the great bargains to be obtained at this house, at such a time in particular. Inspection is invited, and is bound to cause a purchase. The price list will be found in another column.—ADVT.

BANNOCKBURN AND CARRICK RANGE MINERS' ASSOCIATION.

The Quarterly Meeting of Members of the above will be held at the Schoolroom on WEDNESDAY, 7th April, at 7 o'clock p.m.
P. U. M'GREGOR,
Secretary.

BENDIGO DEEP LEVEL Q.M. COMPANY.

A Meeting of DIRECTORS will be held on FRIDAY EVENING, April 2nd, at 8 p.m.
JAMES MARSHALL,
Manager.

BENDIGO DEEP LEVEL COMPANY.

NOTICE.—Legal Proceedings will at once be taken for the recovery of the amount of any Call remaining unpaid Ten Days after date of making such call.
By order of the Directors.
JAMES MARSHALL,
Manager.

LUCKNOW QUARTZ MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Eighth Call of Two Shillings and Sixpence per Share has been made, and is payable at the Company's Office, on WEDNESDAY, 14th April.
THOMAS BLACK,
Legal Manager.

CORPORATION OF CROMWELL.

Public Notice is hereby given that all Persons owning Dogs or Goats within the Municipality shall upon 1st April, 1875, REGISTER the same at the Town Clerk's Office, and any person neglecting so to do is liable to the penalties therefor provided, viz, Dogs not less than 40s; Goats, 10s.
CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Town Clerk.

BONUS FOR GOLD-SAVING APPARATUS.

The Provincial Council of Otago, being desirous of stimulating invention, and securing the use of gold-saving apparatus in connection with hydraulic mining adapted to the purpose of extracting gold from auriferous earth more completely than any of the machines or methods at present in use, has voted the sum of £250, to be offered as a bonus for the invention of such an apparatus, subject to such competition and regulations as to his Honor the Superintendent may seem fit.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the vote of the Council, that plans and proposals for such an apparatus will be received for consideration up till the 1st day of August next ensuing.

The following particulars are published for the information of intending exhibitors of plans. The plans and proposals will be submitted to a body of judges, composed of experienced miners, and such other persons as his Honor the Superintendent may appoint, and in considering them the following points will be kept in view:—

1. The cost of the apparatus as it appears on the plan, and its portable cost and tear and wear.
2. The readiness with which it can be secured in any part of a tail-race, and be moved from one part to another and again secured.
3. Its adaptability to the different widths and falls of tail-races used in different districts; to the varying quantities of water used either by choice or necessity for flushing the same; and to the different kinds of washdirt from which gold is obtained in the Province.

Inventors are expected to be conversant with the machines and methods at present in use, and not to offer simple reproductions of the same. They are also expected not to offer reproductions of machines or methods which have fallen into disuse. They can obtain practical information on these and other points by application through the post to the Central Mining Association at Naseby.

If, in the opinion of the judges appointed, any plan shall appear to be worthy of adoption by the miners in this Province, the Government undertakes to furnish copies of the same to each of the Mining Associations in the Province, with full instructions as to intention of the inventors, and the payment of the bonus will then be determined in the following manner, payment being due within eight months from the date at which the copies of the plans and instructions have been issued to the various Mining Associations:—

By the fact of the apparatus being used by at least twenty-five sluicing companies in the Province, employing an average of at least five men each, for the period of six months, and the intention of the same companies to continue the use thereof; such fact and such intention being verified by the affirmation before a Warden of the manager or representatives of such companies.

In the event of two or more plans being considered worthy of a trial, the Government will determine in what manner the competition shall be carried on, and the best plan discovered. As the bonus is only intended to stimulate inventive genius, every inventor may reap a further benefit from his invention, if he think fit, by taking out a patent.

Plans and proposals intended for submission under this notice are to be addressed to the Goldfields Secretary, Dunedin, on or before the date first above-mentioned.

D. MACKELLAR,
Goldfields Secretary.
Cromwell, March 5, 1875.

CROMWELL DISTRICT HOSPITAL.

WANTED.
A WARDSMAN and MATRON (married couple). Salary, £90 per annum. Apply by letter, enclosing references, till April 1, 1875.
CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Secretary.

CROMWELL DISTRICT HOSPITAL.

Applications for the appointment of MEDICAL OFFICER will be received by the undersigned till 1st April, 1875. Salary, £250 per annum with private practice within a radius of 50 miles allowed.

Applicants' names will be submitted to the Subscribers for Election after 1st April.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Secretary.

CROMWELL DISTRICT HOSPITAL.

SUBSCRIPTIONS & DONATIONS to the Cromwell District Hospital to 20th March, 1875:—

Thomas Logan	Per Mr J. M'LAREN,
Bendigo £100 0 0	Mount Albert—
Karl Pretsch 3 3 0	J M'Laren £2 2 0
D MacKellar 7 18 0	G Goldsboro 10 0
A Miskell (per	James Isbell 2 0 0
Mr Starkey) 1 0 0	J M'Kellar 1 0 0
Ah Kew ... 5 0 0	J Robertson 10 0 0
Qong Tui Goon 1 1 0	E Sargeant 1 0 0
Ah Kow ... 10 6	J Cavenagh 1 0 0
Ah Hoe ... 10 6	J Johnstone 10 0
Geo Beesley ... 1 0 0	J Fiskin ... 10 0
Ah Ping ... 1 0 0	T Wilson ... 5 0
James Gibson 1 1 0	J Mason ... 10 0
T Gorman ... 5 0 0	Wm Ford ... 10 0
J Hayes, Gorge 5 0 0	J M'Kenzie 10 0
James Dawkins	Geo Miller ... 5 0
(second sub.) 5 0 0	Jno Brady ... 5 0
F W Burwell 5 5 0	Jno Lessget 5 0
Alex Scott ... 1 0	W Boardman 5 0
D MacKellar	T Miller ... 10 0
(second sub.) 2 0	W Holmes ... 2 0
T Rooney ... 2 0 0	C Roberts ... 5 0
J Fleming ... 3 0 0	Foundation
Geo Starkey 5 0 0	subscriptions 4 10 0
D Proudfoot 2 2 0	Per Mr H. NORMAN—
James D'Arcy 1 0 0	D Caldwell 1 0 0
J Solomon ... 2 0 0	G Williams 1 0 0
C Colclough ... 3 0 0	Per Mr T. FERGUS—
Subscriptions at	T Fergus ... 2 2 0
Ardgour	— Gilchrist 1 1 0
Woolshed 8 0 0	S Aitchison 1 1 0
J Hoffman ... 1 1 0	J. Aitchison 1 1 0
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Per Mr DAVID	given in detail—
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Club ... 13 10 6	R Galvin ... 5 0
Per Mr J. TOWAN—	Wm Bourne 1 0
W Menzies 2 2 0	— Thoms ... 10 0
John Smith 1 0 0	J Walsh ... 1 0
S Thomas 1 1 0	Lewis Grant 10 0
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Per Mr J. MARSH—	W Ellacott ... 1 0
R Hill ... 1 0 0	Queen's Vari-
E Lawrence 10 0	Troupe ... 4 2 0

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,
SECRETARY.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST

in aid of
HENRY DANIELS, of Bendigo,
Who was injured by falling down the Reliance Company's shaft, over six months ago.

Collected by Mr Thomas Rooney.

John Pearce ...	£ s. d.
John Parry ...	3 0 0
Thomas Moore ...	1 0 0
Owen Davies ...	1 0 0
Elias Rowland ...	1 0 0
John Thomas ...	10 0
James Mitchell ...	1 0 0
John Swan ...	1 0 0
William Collins ...	1 0 0
John Ball ...	10 0
John G. Williams ...	1 0 0
Rowland Morris ...	1 0 0
Thomas Thomas ...	10 0
George Murchie ...	1 0 0
Jesse Eastwood ...	1 0 0
Joseph Hoare ...	10 0
Josiah Mitchinson	2 0 0
Sympathiser ...	2 0 0
Lane Oliver ...	1 0 0
Edward Rigg ...	1 0 0
John Hill Sergeant	1 0 0
Charles O'Donnell	1 0 0
James Stanley ...	10 0
John Williams ...	5 0
John Reid ...	1 0 0
Philip Mathews ...	5 0
Peter Goldsworthy	10 0
Mrs George Murchie	1 0 0
Richard Chappell	10 0
Walter Taylor ...	1 0 0
George B. Douglas	10 0
George Coleman ...	10 0
Butcher ...	5 0
Charles Jones ...	10 0
Thomas Rooney ...	1 0 0
Morris Lahey ...	10 0
John O'Hearn ...	10 0
Joseph Aspinall ...	10 0
Total ...	£33 5 0

T O L E T.

FARM of 150 acres, fenced, with House and outbuildings. Rent, £50 per annum.
Apply, Office of this Paper.

F O R S A L E.

A WATER-RACE, Iron Fluming across the Kawarau, and Four-acre Claim, at Roaring Meg.—Apply at Roaring Meg Hotel; or to
THOMAS M'NULTY.

FOR SALE.

SATURDAY, 3rd APRIL.

MESSRS M'LANDRESS, HEPBURN, & CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction on Saturday, April 3:—

Lot I.
The whole of the Plant and Machinery of the Shag Valley Freehold Quartz Mining Company, consisting of
One 24-horse-power Steam Engine, with
Battery of 10 head of Stamps, together
with Blacksmith's Tools, Sheds, Manager's House, &c.

The whole is complete, and in perfect working order, erected on a leasehold of sixteen acres, in proximity to several well-known reefs.

Also Lot II.
All that parcel of freehold land, being Section 11, Block I, Dunback District, containing 91 acres 36 poles, in which a well-defined reef, 11 feet wide on the surface, has been traced 500 yards.

Further particulars from the auctioneers, or Mr T. M. WILKINSON, Dunedin, Official Liquidator for the Company.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 1875,
at One o'clock.

At Goodger's Yards, Cromwell.

Broken and Unbroken
ELSWICK COLTS.

GEORGE FACHE,
having received instructions from Messrs CAMPBELL and M'LEAN, of Wanaka Station, will sell by public auction as above,

20 COLTS and FILLIES, rising 3, 4, and 5 years old, by the thoroughbred horse Elswick.

The 5-year olds are all broken-in to saddle.

The auctioneer can confidently say that so grand a mob of horses has never before been offered in the Cromwell district, and would urge on station-masters and all others wanting a first-class horse, to attend the sale. It must be admitted that on the sire's side they have the best strain of blood there is in the Province, whilst the dams are not to be surpassed.

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,
14th and 15th April, 1875.

SALE BY AUCTION AT CROMWELL.

To Storekeepers, Miners, and others.

Groceries, Wines, Spirits, Ironmongery, Hardware, Fancy Goods, &c.

Mr W. SHANLY, having disposed of his business premises, (the Shamrock Store, Cromwell,) has instructed

Mr GEORGE FACHE to sell by public auction, without reserve, at the Shamrock Store, on Wednesday and Thursday, the 14th and 15th April next, commencing at 12 o'clock each day,

The whole of his valuable STOCK, consisting of
Groceries
Wines and Spirits
Ironmongery
Drapery, Fancy Goods, &c.
Express Waggon, and Set of Double Harness
4 Light Waggon Horses, several useful Hacks, and other property; also,
The Freehold of Section 1, Block 88, Town of Cromwell.

The above sale being absolute and bona fide, Mr Fache invites the attendance of one and all.

WANTED, a General Servant. Apply Office of this Paper.

SHEPHERD WANTED.

Wanted, for Upper Wanaka District, an experienced Hill Shepherd, accustomed to high country, and possessed of good dogs.

For particulars, apply at the Office of this Paper, or to

Mr THEODORE RUSSELL,
Pembroke.

A MEETING of the EUREKA (late Rise and Shine) QUARTZ MINING CO. will be held on FRIDAY, the 2nd day of April, at 4 p.m., at the BRIDGE HOTEL, Cromwell.

JOHN MARSH,
Sec. pro tem.

THE COLONIAL BANK OF NEW ZEALAND.

A Branch of this Bank is NOW OPEN for General Banking Business.

Highest Current Rates of Interest given on Deposits.

Agencies established throughout the Australian Colonies and Great Britain.

GOLD PURCHASED.

S. C. WORTH,
pro Manager.

CROMWELL, Feb. 22, 1875.

A. O. F.—COURT STAR OF CROMWELL.

No. 4933.
Summoned Meeting on Saturday Evening, April 3.—By order of C.R.

JOHN MARSH,
Secretary.

A. O. F. COURT ROYAL OAK OF KAWA-RAU, No. 4929.

Summoned Meeting on Saturday, 3rd April. Business: Quarterly Night.—By order.

CHARLES KOCH,
Secretary.

CROMWELL KILWINNING LODGE (S.C.)

An EMERGENCY MEETING of the above Lodge will be held on Wednesday, April 7.

Business: Initiations.

By order of the R.W.M.

Cromwell Argus, AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 1875.

Owing to the Easter holidays there has been no business transacted in the local Courts during the past week.

We understand that our enterprising townsman, Mr H. Arndt, has become the owner of those valuable premises now occupied by Mr W. Shanly, merchant.

The suggestion thrown out by us regarding private boxes at the Post-office has been acted upon, and we learn that this convenience will be *un fait accompli* by the end of this week.

The Queenstown correspondent to our Clyde contemporary circulates a rumor—which will scarcely gain many believers—that Mr C. E. Houghton will shortly appear once more in the political arena, and go in for a seat in the Assembly at the next general election.

At the Queenstown R.M. Court, on 22nd inst., William Jackson Barry and Charlotte Sloan were charged, upon the information of Denis Powell, with stealing from Powell's Family Hotel, sundry articles, to wit: one old counterpane, table cloth, pillow slips, towels, gold ring, shawl, and petticoat, the whole being valued at £8 3s 6d. After a lengthy hearing, both prisoners were discharged. A second charge has been brought against the female, Sloan.

The Rev. J. Dewe, the new incumbent of the Church of England for the Clyde and Cromwell districts, entered upon his clerical duties last week. On Sunday evening he preached in the Cromwell church to a full congregation, who attentively listened to the gentleman's fervent discourse. Previous to leaving his late charge, Roxburgh, Mr Dewe was presented with a purse of sovereigns by his parishioners and an address expressive of their appreciation of his services and regret at his departure.

Sir George Grey has been returned as Superintendent of Auckland Province without opposition.

Considerable excitement was evinced in Cromwell during the three days of the Dunedin races, and we understand a good deal of money changed hands on the various events.

Good Friday was, of course, duly observed as a close holiday in Cromwell. Church services were performed morning and evening by Mr. Snook, lay reader. This gentleman has placed members of the Church of England under a great obligation by reason of his earnest labors in connection with the Church; and we are glad to know his services are much appreciated.

A telegram was received in Invercargill on 22nd inst. by Mr. Fox, Inspector of Police, conveying the melancholy intelligence that three well-known miners—named H. Memphis, Peter Crow, and Wm. Nevin—had been drowned at Orepuki on the previous Sunday. The bodies of the two latter have been recovered, on which Mr. Warden Wood was to hold an inquest. No particulars as to how the sad accident occurred are mentioned in the telegram.

In our issue of 23rd February we reprinted from the *Daily Times* a letter signed "J.S." which appeared in that journal, and which contained personal reflections on the Rev. Father Coleman. In justice to that gentleman the *Times* apology was also inserted by us the week following. We now desire, on our own behalf, to express sincere regret that we should have been the means of promulgating an article reflecting upon Father Coleman's reputation, and which article has since been shown to be quite unjustifiable.

We have received from Mr. J. Sperry, Superintendent-collector, an account of land in cultivation in Otago and the agricultural produce thereof, up to February 1875. From it we learn that in the Dunstan district there are 142 holdings; the extent of land broken up and not under crop is 459 acres. In wheat 197 acres is sown, which is estimated to yield 5640 bushels; in oats 322½ are laid down, the produce of which is estimated at over 77,000 bushels; 63½ acres only are under barley, the return is put down at 1779 bushels; hay and permanent grasses occupy 640 acres, and potatoes 214½ acres, which is expected to yield 944 tons. The total number of acres under crop is 4378.

The Wakatipu district has suffered a great loss—both social and otherwise—in the departure of Mr. Bendix Hallenstein and his family for Dunedin, where they will now permanently reside. Few up-country communities have been favored as has been Queenstown in having a man of Mr. Hallenstein's wealth and enterprise resident there; and no small measure of that district's advancement is due to the foresight and ability of that gentleman and his co-partners, who were not slow to observe and utilize the resources lying idle around them. The result of their sagacity is readily seen in the forward position of the Wakatipu in farming, milling, and other branches of industry. It is therefore not to be wondered at that the Queenstown residents were desirous of having opportunity to publicly testify their regard for Mr. Hallenstein and his estimable lady before their departure. This honor Mr. Hallenstein found it necessary to decline; but we are sure that none the less will kind remembrances follow a family whose life for the last ten years has been most intimately connected with the growth and progress of the Wakatipu district.

On the occasion of Mr. J. T. Thomson's retirement from the office of Chief Surveyor of the Province, a number of officers in the department determined to show their appreciation of their chief in a fitting manner, and to that end had an order sent Home for a suitable gift. This has now arrived, and was presented with an address to Mr. Thomson on Saturday, 20th inst. The testimonial took the form of a silver vase, which stands 2ft 2in high, weighs 134 ounces, and is a fine piece of workmanship. The design is by Mr. Hutton, drawing master, and various specimens of the New Zealand flora—such as ferns, fuchsia, vines, creepers, &c.—are very beautifully depicted. The cover is surmounted by the figure of a surveyor, sextant in hand. On one side of the vase is a view of Earnslaw, Lake Wakatipu, from a sketch taken by Mr. Thomson, and on the other side is the following inscription:—"Presented to John Turnbull Thomson, Esq., C.E., F.R.G.S., Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Province of Otago, N.Z., by thirty officers of the Survey Department, in token of their appreciation of the ability and excellence of his administration as Chief Surveyor of the Province from May, 1856, to November, 1873."

During last week a number of extensive fires occurred in various parts of the Colony. On the 21st, at Auckland, Olson's sauce factory was destroyed, the value of property lost being £5000, the insurances amounting to nearly £4000. Olson suffered a similar casualty last year. At midnight on the same date, Nelson suffered by a conflagration, the sacrifice of property being estimated at £5500, the insurances figuring at £3600. On the 22nd, at Oamaru, the largest fire that ever occurred there broke out at midnight, and raged for two hours, sweeping away property valued at £8000. The insurance offices in this instance suffer to the extent of about £5000. On 23rd, a disastrous fire broke out at the Albion Hotel, Invercargill, at four o'clock in the morning, and before the flames could be stayed a large amount of property was consumed. The insurances effected are put down at £8250. The local *News* says the hour at which the fire broke out was that at which people are generally buried in the most profound sleep. Hence it will be easily understood that only by the happiest chance was it possible to awaken the occupants of the Albion, the upper floors of which formed a perfect nest of sleeping apartments. There could not have been less than sixty persons, the awakening of many of whom was a work of much difficulty. It is believed that all got clear of the building, but there were several narrow escapes, and it is not positively certain that no life has been lost. Some of the lodgers were seen to drop from the second storey—a height of 20ft—into the street, happily without receiving more serious injury than bruises.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

DUNEDIN.

MONDAY, 7.35 p.m.

The settling-up in connection with the Races passed off satisfactorily at the Empire on Saturday night. Although the book-makers were heavily hit, they promptly settled all liabilities.

Within one week, over £150 has been collected for the Benevolent Institution. With the Government bonus of 2 to 1, this makes a total addition to the funds of £450.

In Fraser's Magazine for February, there appears a reply by Mr. Vogel to the article by Mr. Fellows ("Master Humphrey") in a previous number. The Premier ably exposes the misstatements and slanders contained in "Master Humphrey's" attack on the government of the Colony.

It has been determined among those connected with mining companies that, in the event of the superior Court deciding that calls upon shares cannot be enforced unless legal proceedings are commenced within fourteen days, all mining companies shall be registered in future under the Joint Stock Act.

There were about 4000 people at the Caledonian games to-day. Owing to Tyson having injured his knee last week, his wrestling match with Robertson fell through. Robertson agreed to postpone the match for a time, accepting £10 as a forfeit.

A fatal accident occurred at the Peninsula this morning. A man named Hooper, while excavating a foundation, was struck on the head by a large piece of loose rock, and was killed instantaneously.

Sir George Grey was elected as member in the Assembly for Auckland City West without opposition.

HOKITIKA, March 27.

The trial crushing of half a ton of stone from the reef discovered near Christchurch gave a result of 6oz 5dwt to the ton.

SAN FRANCISCO MAIL.

The City of Melbourne, with the English mails, arrived at Auckland on Saturday.

LONDON, March 2.

The cost of the Arctic expedition is set down at £98,000.

Gladstone has published another pamphlet in reply to Father Newman and Archbishop Manning.

Dr Kenealy's election was contested by three candidates,—one being a relation of the Tichborne family.

A match manufactory at Gothenburg, in Sweden, took fire, and the employees in the upper storey were unable to escape. Fifty-one were killed, many being burnt and others met death by jumping from the windows.

The steamer Hong Kong foundered in the Indian Ocean, and a large number of lives were lost.

The Theatre Royal in Edinburgh has been burned down. The fire originated through an accumulation of gas.

The marriage of the Marquis of Lorne has not been a success.

There have been extensive strikes in various American States, and there has been much distress.

Mr J. O. M'Ardeil has resigned his position as auctioneer to the Waste Lands Board for the Queenstown district. At the last meeting of that body it was decided to refer to the Government the matter of appointing a successor.

In our business columns will be found the conditions and regulations under which the Provincial Government offer a bonus of £250 for the best gold-saving apparatus. The terms are liberal, and it is to be hoped the action of the Council in voting the amount will be productive of good results.

At Auckland, on 23rd inst., a boiler accident occurred connected with which is the story of a most miraculous escape. The boiler was an ordinary cylinder, one of about two feet in diameter, and eight feet long, with dome, and its weight was about 8½ cwt. Shortly after 10 o'clock the owner, with a boy, was engaged upstairs preparing a chaff-cutter for use, when they were startled by a terrific explosion. Running downstairs, Mr Lamb found the engine-shed a complete ruin, and the boiler itself was missing. At the opposite side of Lamb's yard, and higher up Queen-street, are Fraser's livery and bait stables, and closely adjoining these, a large block of two-storeyed wooden buildings, including the Queen's Head Hotel and a number of shops. The shop of this block lowest down the street, and consequently nearest to Lamb's stables, is one occupied by Mr Hayward, mattress-maker. Right through the roof of Fraser's stables, and through the weather-boards at the side of Mr Hayward's premises, at the height of 15 feet there had been driven a broad track, the stout weather-boards having been broken and splintered like chips. Hayward's house fronts in Upper Queen-street, and on the side next the street a similar opening has been made. In fact the whole boiler, like a gigantic projectile from a mammoth cannon, had been driven through two buildings. Strange to say, the passage of this murderous projectile was unattended with any injury to life or limb. The most miraculous escape in connection with the occurrence was that of Mrs Hayward. The room through which the boiler passed was the bedroom, and Mrs Hayward who had been engaged making up the beds and child's cot, was just leaving the room, and had passed through the door, when the boiler came crashing through the roof, passing within a yard of her, and strewn destruction on every side, disappearing through the opposite wall, driving some of the pieces of furniture with it. Mrs Hayward had just sufficient presence of mind and strength to stagger downstairs in a most agitated state, and fainted. Mr Hayward who was below, thought that a thunderbolt had struck the house.

ARROWTOWN.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

March 29, 1875.

A grand muster of all the cattle and horses running on the Crown Terrace was made on Saturday last by the ranger, Mr T. M'Moran. About thirty cattle-owners were present, all well mounted, and some tall riding and stockwhip-cracking took place; while some disputes between owners occurred. Many cattle were found bearing the brand of two different owners. One gentleman, a justice of the peace, got off his horse to fight another party, who vociferated, "Be jabers! I'll spind two pounds on a lawyer before my cattle I'm paying for shall be hunted down." He tried to cut his cattle out of the mob, but had not horse-power enough, and had to give in. A large number of cattle had been put into paddocks to evade the muster, as the time had been previously advertised, and stock-owners were equal to the occasion.

The Town Council are likely to display some energy in availing themselves of the Government offer to subsidize local subscriptions for prospecting for reefs, and talk of raising a large sum to start with. This is as it should be.

We are in great need of a resident medical gentleman in the Arrow district, and it is intended to get up a guarantee fund among residents in order to tempt one to come here. This has been done with success at Switzers and other places.

Messrs M'Kechnie and Sharp are about to make a tramway from Butels' bush to within about a mile of the town, and will then be able to supply firewood at 30s per cord.

The local Oddfellows' Lodge is in *articulo mortis*, as the members do not see the use of continuing it while we have no resident doctor.

A persevering party of prospectors have been for some time trying the terraces at Arthur's Point, on the Shotover, and last week came upon encouraging prospects, but the ground is difficult to work. Another party in the same place is about putting their claim into a joint-stock company at Queenstown. The old bed of the Shotover is supposed to run somewhere in this terrace.

I should like to see the Education Board take up the case of Upper Shotover residents, where large numbers of children—future colonists, remember,—are growing up without at present a chance of any education at all, the residents being too scattered to admit of children collecting at a school. A visiting schoolmaster might meet the case to some extent.

It is not often that a sheep starts in life on its own hook, but such is the case here. A few hundred yards from the town is an abandoned tunnel, which has been for some time past the domicile of a solitary sheep, where he calmly defies the efforts of musters, and enjoys some approach to domestic comfort. He comes out every morning and grazes close by, and in the soft and stilly eve retires to the recesses of his retreat, to chew the cud of sweet and bitter fancies till rosy morning opens the gates of day. In winter he is not an early riser. He must have foreseen that his companions would be driven off the commonage, and so entrenched himself in time.

A row occurred at the Lower Shotover Ferry on Saturday. A "rough" called Curly Jack had been drinking with a man named MacCarthy and his wife. They went to MacCarthy's hut, and there quarrelled. Jack wanting the other to come out and fight, MacCarthy refusing, Jack said "I'll soon make you," and forthwith set fire to the hut in two places. MacCarthy managed to get his wife out, but in doing so sprained her ankle severely. He then went to Queenstown for the police, by whom he was at once locked up, being drunk. Mounted-constable Cameron came out the next day, and took Jack in charge. He admitted setting fire to the hut, and said he was only sorry he did not burn the man's wife, and didn't care if he got three years.

I could not get to the reefs at the Twelve-mile last week for snow, the prospectors having also been stopped. I start again to-day, the weather being fine.

QUEENSTOWN.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

March 22, 1875.

Winter has sent his herald before him already. Our mountains are covered with snow, and there is a considerable fall of temperature. Luckily farming operations are nearly completed.

Our regatta on St. Patrick's Day was on the whole a success, each event giving rise to keen competition. The North of Ireland men from the head of the Lake, (or the M'Brides, as they are called,) took all the first prizes for rowing. This must be rather mortifying to our Queenstown Regatta Club. It is not at all surprising, however, when it is considered that they have taken little or no practice. It was evident from the closeness of the pulling that had the Queenstown boats had more practice, a different result might be expected.

The evening was occupied by a Volunteer Concert, which drew a very large audience. During the interval, prizes for competitive shooting were presented to the Volunteers and Cadets by Mrs Worthington. It has been often a matter of surprise to me that both Arrowtown and Cromwell allow Queenstown to take the lead of them in almost everything that requires local effort. Why should you not have a Volunteer and Cadet corps as well as we. It is after all only a popular delusion that places Queenstown so far ahead on the goldfields. Its forward po-

sition is maintained by the energy of two or three individuals. As much might be done in the way of public position for either of the places mentioned, were the proper men to go to work.

I did not go to the races. I suppose there was the usual amount of jockeying and swindling. Every person I see says they were not worth looking at,—miserable, in fact. But they said the same for the past three years, and still they go. There was a remarkable absence of drunkenness.

Tenders are being called for the erection of a new court-house, with Government offices, and also for an Athenaeum. Our Library Committee are exerting themselves most creditably this year. They have ordered £100 worth of books, are building a new hall at £500, and expect to be entirely out of debt at the close of the year.

There is a general complaint of dull times and lack of business, which I fear will be chronic until the railway expenditure lets loose the labour to develop our goldfield. Very few indeed will engage in such a precarious employment as mining, with wages at nine and ten shillings a day, and not much to do. Some time ago some gentlemen from here visited Dunedin. They formed themselves into a railway deputation, and got as usual certain promises about the immediate hastening of the Winton-Kingston line. I am informed yesterday by a gentleman who has just travelled that way, that nothing scarcely is being done. The works are progressing so slowly that they are evidently intended to be used during the millennium. So much for promises. The real fault, however, lies in the people themselves. The goldfields members everywhere, instead of carrying any weight, are a laughing-stock, or at best are looked on as an easily-purchased commodity. It is to be hoped that at the next elections the miners will show some respect for themselves, and return men whose standing and ability will deserve and command respect.

MR VINCENT PYKE AND THE GOLD-FIELDS SECRETARY.

To the Editor of the CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR,—I am sorry to intrude again upon your space; but I cannot allow Mr MacKellar to escape under the tempestuous cloud of ink which he has shed in reply to my note. Stripped of unmeaning verbiage, the points at issue between that gentleman and myself are: (1) that he unnecessarily and without sufficient pretext dragged my name into a discussion between himself and his constituents. As he had no "pretext," he could not have had any "reason" for so doing; and he fails to show why or wherefore he did so. Even granting all he says of myself to be true, my action in the Assembly is no excuse for his conduct in the Provincial Council. But, Sir, after consulting with the representatives of the mining interest in the Assembly, I came to the conclusion, as they did also, that the insoucious Provinces are so entirely dependent on the export duty for the means of preserving their wretched existence and paying official salaries, that there is no hope of any reduction of the obnoxious impost so long as Provincial Governments and Provincial Goldfields Secretaries are suffered to exist. And it is well that the miners should understand this, so that at the next general election they may not stultify themselves by returning any man who will not pledge himself to vote for the entire abolition of Provincialism throughout the Colony.

Mr MacKellar's second offence is that he deliberately gave utterance to a statement (I am not foolish enough to attempt to pin him to exact words, because I know that were I to do so he would slip through my fingers like a greased eel) intended to convey the impression, that I feigned illness to avoid the performance of my legislative duties last session. I have already adduced proof of having been ill when I returned to Dunedin; and I could as easily adduce proof of my illness at Wellington, but I do not choose to run the risk of being again insulted with taunts of "flourishing" certificates in Mr MacKellar's face. If he, knowing he has erred, does not choose to apologise, that is his own concern, not mine.—Yours very truly,

VINCENT PYKE.

Dunedin, March 22.

CARDRONA COMMONAGE.

To the Editor of the CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR,—In your issue of 16th March appears a letter signed "Pan," in which the writer, after a miserable attempt at funniness, (if he has perpetrated a pun, I am free to admit it is above my comprehension,) proceeds to say he will give you a few facts; but instead of facts, goes on to tell you what he believes, what it seems to him, etc., continues with a falsehood, and winds up with another dose of silliness. To the first of his "chiefs that winna ding," I have to say, in contradiction, that instead of the unlimited discontent he speaks of as being felt by the great portion of the community at all kinds of stock but great cattle being tabooed from the commonage, there are in reality but very few in that dreadful state, and those only the persons who up to the present have monopolised the commonage with sheep. Secondly, "Pan" says he notices the miners seem inclined to neglect their more legitimate employment, etc. It is not my purpose at present to go into the question of legitimate employment, but simply to deny and prove false what "Pan" notices. And to that end I will give you a fact of my own, which, after the sneers and false assertions of "Pan" and other parties, will surprise any person who may have read their letters. It is this,—that among some fourteen cattle-owners, comprising publicans, butchers, dairymen, agricultural leaseholders, etc., there are about five miners, holding at most 250 head of cattle among them. Another of "Pan's" "chiefs," that an embryo squatter brought the ready influence of the Miners' Association to bear on the question, is equally false, as is proved by their calling a public meeting before taking steps in the matter. For the rest of "Pan's" sneers at the Association, the members can afford to treat them and their utterer with contempt.—By inserting this you will oblige.—I am, &c.,

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Cardrona, March 22.

THE MINER.

NEW AMERICAN GOLDFIELD.

It seems that the Black Hills Exploring Expedition has discovered a new goldfield in the south-western portion of Dakota territory. The region lies on the right, or western, side of the Missouri river, between the 100th and 105th degrees of west longitude, and just south of the 45th degree of north latitude. It is a mountainous country, as its name implies, and is almost embraced by the north and south forks of the Cheyenne river. The correspondent of the *New York Tribune* with the expedition says: "Indications of gold were found about a week ago, and within two days its presence in sufficient quantities abundantly to repay working has been established beyond a doubt. How large an area the gold section covers cannot be determined without further exploration, but the geological characteristics of the country, the researches of our prospectors, and all the indications point to valuable fields. So far we have obtained surface gold alone. Our miners hope yet to find a good quartz land." What is more important still, however, is that the country is one of surpassing fertility and beauty. This country, which has hitherto been unknown, is at present in the possession of the Sioux Indians. But it seems that the treaty with the Sioux is on the point of expiring, and the country will then be open to settlement. The following is the *Tribune* correspondent's description of this newly-found land:—"Grass, water, and timbers of several varieties are found in abundance, and all of excellent quality; small fruits abound; game is plentiful. The valleys are well adapted for cattle-raising or agricultural purposes, while the scenery is lovely beyond description. The flora is the most varied and exuberant of any section this side of California. In this respect it is a new Florida; it may prove to be a new El Dorado." And on a subsequent day he writes: "Its equal," says General Custer, the commander of the expedition, "I have never seen." Such, too, was the testimony of all those who beheld the panorama spread out before us. Every step of our march that day was amid flowers of the most exquisite colour and perfume, and belonging to new or unclassified species. The total flora of the valley embraces 125 species. The water in the streams stood at 44deg. In no portion of the United States, not excepting the famous Blue Grass region of Kentucky, have I ever found grazing superior to that which grows wild in these hitherto unknown regions."

The Thames and Coromandel goldfields are suffering great depression, owing to the withdrawal of population for the Ohinemuri rush. It is proposed to remove some buildings from Coromandel to the new fields, and a few are already being taken down for the purpose.

In reply to a memorial to the Minister of Justice, expressing dissatisfaction with the insufficient punishment imposed by magistrates on persons convicted of larceny from tail-boxes in alluvial claims, and suggesting that, if the existing law sustains the magistrates, fresh legislation should take place, the miners of Naseby and the surrounding district have been informed by the Assistant Law Officer that magistrates "may send for trial anyone accused of larceny, however small the amount stolen, if they think the case of sufficient importance; but the law provides for dealing summarily with ordinary cases of larceny of chattels of small value. If the miners think that the crime complained of has reached such a head as to require a severe example to be made, they should ask the magistrates to commit the accused for trial, and they will exercise their discretion in the matter."

The *Maryborough Advertiser* gives the following account of a wonderful escape:—"When Mr George Stevens, of Happy Jack's, White Hills, was engaged baling the shaft on the Rob Roy Reef, his little son, John, aged 10, had a most remarkable escape from a violent death. The little fellow was guiding the slack rope on to the drum of the whim, when, probably through the bucket suddenly filling, the rope was jerked tight, and the boy lifted off the ground, and, to the horror of his father, shot head foremost down the shaft, a depth of from 70ft. to 80ft. to the water, the bottom being 130ft. Mr Stevens shouted for help to some men close by, and slid down the rope, never expecting to see his boy alive again, but when he was about half way down the little fellow shouted from below, 'I'm all right; heave up.' When he was hauled to the surface he told his elder brother, who was ready to lift him off, to stand aside he would get off himself. He has not a scratch on him, and is none the worse for his fine dive. He must have gone down straight like an arrow, and how he escaped without touching either the sides of the shaft or the bucket seems to be a miracle."

Speaking of Miss Christian, a lady vocalist of high merit who made her first appearance in Dunedin on Wednesday evening last, the *Daily Times* says:—"She has a magnificent contralto voice, and she has had none to compare with her as a ballad singer in Dunedin, at least of late years. She has a voice of remarkable power and robustness, great distinctness of enunciation, and everything in her style of singing which betokens high cultivation. But while thoroughly artistic, she is also easy and natural. Added to the rare qualifications, as to expression, 'the soul of music' she is largely gifted with the sympathetic quality."

DUNEDIN ANNUAL RACES.

(From the Star.)

FIRST DAY: TUESDAY, MARCH 23.

MAIDEN PLATE, of 80 sovs. The second horse to receive 10 sovs. from the stakes. One mile and a half. Weight for age.

Captain Hutchison's b c King Philip, 3 yrs	(Batty)	1
Mr Delamain's b c Hercules, 3 yrs, 7st 11lb	(Wattie)	2
Mr Nosworthy's ch c Daniel O'Rourke, 2 yrs, 5st	(Allan)	0

Wild Deer and the Ada gelding also ran; Faugh-a-ballagh and Bothwell were scratched.

After one break away, the five were despatched on very even terms, the Irishman cutting out the running, and making the pace pretty fast. Coming into the last half mile King Philip gradually drew away from the two hindmost and up to the leaders, and the two-year old falling back, Hercules and Captain Hutchison's colt came on together amid great excitement. King Philip was going in beautiful style, and had plenty in hand as well, and Batty landed him a winner after a good struggle, by half a length. Time, 2min. 53sec.

THE DUNEDIN CUP, a handicap of 300 sovs., with a sweepstake of 10 sovs. each. The second horse to receive 50 sovs., and the third 20 sovs. from the stakes. Two miles and a distance.

Mr Delamain's b h Templeton, 4 yrs, 8st 12lb (including 7lb penalty)	(Wattie)	1
Mr Coombes' br h Right Bower, 5 yrs, 7st 10lb	(Cotton)	2
Mr Nosworthy's b h Traitor, 4 yrs, 8st 7lb	(W. Reay)	3
Mr White's b g Atlas, aged, 8st (Waddell)	4	

Castaway, Hercules, Earl of Lynne, and Ngaro also started. Pertobe, Spritsail, and Tripolis were scratched. Traitor carried 3lb and Atlas 4lb overweight. Mr Delamain declared to win with Templeton.

At the second attempt a good start was effected, and passing the stand Ngaro, Earl of Lynne, and Hercules were abreast, leading; Traitor and Atlas lying last, behind Templeton, Castaway, and Right Bower. The same order was kept for nearly a mile, when the whole field closed together, and passing the stand the second time Templeton and Hercules were in the van, Right Bower close up, Castaway, Ngaro, and Traitor next. Templeton was going strongly and well within himself, and Right Bower's style was very taking. As they went round the further side of the course these two almost singled themselves out from the rest, and for a time the Bower appeared to have a show; but Templeton was not to be approached, and coming up the straight Cotton used the whip without avail. Mr Delamain's horse won easily by half a dozen lengths; in fact he may be said to have won all round. Right Bower ran surprisingly well. Traitor and Atlas, who both appeared to be coming at the last half-mile came in a bad third and fourth; Castaway fifth; Hercules sixth; Earl of Lynne seventh; and Ngaro an ignominious last. The filly looked dangerous for a mile, but then collapsed. Time, 4min. 10sec.

NEWMARKET STAKES, of 60 sovs. One mile and a distance. Weight for age.

Mr Delamain's br c Elfin King, 3 yrs, 7st 13lb	(Rae)	1
Captain Hutchison's b m Spritsail, 5 yrs, 8st 11lb	(Batty)	2
Mr Pollock's b h Bothwell, 4 yrs, 9st	(Goodman)	3

At the start all got off with the exception of Sonambula, who reared and stuck at the post till the others had gone thirty lengths, thus losing any show she had in the race. The contest lay between the King and Spritsail, but Rae let the colt out and he shot in a winner by a length and a half. Time 2min. 14sec.

PUBLICAN'S HANDICAP, of 100 sovs., with a sweepstake of 3 sovs. each, to go to the second horse. One mile and a quarter.

Mr Delamain's b h Templeton, 4 yrs, 9st	(Wattie)	1
Captain Hutchison's br c King Philip, 3 yrs, 7st 7lb	(Battie)	2
Mr Nosworthy's br c Tadmor, 3 yrs, 7st 7lb	(Bremner)	3
Mr Keenan's b g Wild Manx Boy, 6 yrs, 7st	4	

After one false start a good one was effected, all the horses pretty well together, Templeton lying about the centre. Very soon, however, the Cup winner was seen to forge ahead and go to the front, Wild Manx Boy sticking to him for a little, King Philip a length or two behind, next—the rest tailing out. Coming up the straight the King had improved his situation a little, and Tadmor was coming up; but despite all Batty's efforts Templeton came in an easy winner by a clear length and a half. Tadmor was a poor third, Wild Manx Boy fourth, the rest all abroad old Barwon acting as whipper in. Time 2min. 23sec.

SETTLING RACE, of 50 sovs. One mile and a half. Weight for age.

Mr Goodman's b m Kathleen, 6 yrs, (£20) 7st 10lb	(Batty)	1
Mr Monaghan's br g Bismarck, 8st 11lb	2	
Mr Swanson's ch g Sir William, 6st 4lb	3	

Blackbird, Young Leamington, Lydia, and Maymorn also ran.

Soon after the jump the favourite came to the fore and won all the way round; Bismarck and Sir William a good second and third. Time, 3min. Kathleen was bought by Mr H. Prince for £99; thus adding £79 to the funds.

SECOND DAY: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE, of 80 sovs., with a sweepstake of 2 sovs. each, to go to the second horse. Two miles and a distance, over ten flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in high.

Mr Gourley's ch g Kildare, aged, 9st 5lb	(Cotton)	1
Mr Barton's b g Ivanhoe, aged, 10st 7lb	(Hedge)	2
Mr Patterson's b m Maid of the Mill, aged, 10st 12lb	(Williams)	3

A fine start was effected, and the first hurdle was cleared by Ivanhoe, Kildare, and another in advance; Sir Tatton, who was fourth, fell heavily, throwing his jockey over his head; Unknown baulked, and the owner pulled the jockey off and got on his back, but too late. The rest went on round, Sir Tatton, remounted, a long way in the rear. At the second hurdle Ivanhoe baulked, but was soon set going again. The second time past the stand Kildare led, Ivanhoe second, Maid of the Mill third, all within a length of each other—Sir Tatton fourth; Banjo in the meantime had fallen and the others were out of it, Maid of Arrow also falling at the fourth hurdle. The same order was kept all round, the jumps being cleared beautifully, but Sir Tatton toiling along hopelessly. Coming up the straight Cotton, who had ridden splendidly, increased his lead with Kildare and came in an easy winner by half a dozen lengths. Malone, the rider of Maid of Arrow, was badly hurt, and was sent to the Hospital. Sir Tatton came in very lame.

DUNEDIN JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP, of 200 sovs., with a sweepstake of 5 sovs. each added, to go to second horse. The third horse to receive 10 sovs. from the stakes. The winner of the Dunedin Cup to carry 7lb extra. One mile and three quarters.

Mr Delamain's b h Templeton, 4 yrs, 8st 13lb	(Wattie)	1
Captain Hutchison's br c King Philip, 3 yrs, 7st	2	
Mr Keenan's ch g Gamecock, aged, 6st 10lb	3	

Right Bower, Traitor, and Hercules also ran, Mr Delamain declaring to win with Templeton. Castaway, Atlas, Barwon, Tripolis, Tadmor, and Lyndon were scratched.

After one break away a bad start was effected, Templeton being left at the post until there were six or seven lengths between him and the field. Gamecock, Hercules, and Right Bower rushed off with the lead, Traitor and King Philip lying next, Templeton doing his best to make up the lost ground. Rowland seeing the state of affairs made the pace terrific with Hercules, passing the stand the first time in advance, Right Bower second, Gamecock third; Templeton crawling up, abreast with King Philip, next, and Tadmor last. The favorite had all his work cut out, for opposite the stand only he began to pull up to the leaders, and the excitement was something intense. Thence he gradually came up outside, and at the three-quarter of a mile post Hercules fell back, having done his work well. Gamecock and the Bower, however, were not to be denied, and kept on almost level terms with Mr Delamain's horse, the old one especially going splendidly, until in the straight it looked Mr Keenan's race all over. Then the whips were brought out, and Templeton answering gamely to his jockey's call came in a winner by a clear length. Time 3min. 18sec.

THE ROUS STAKES, of 75 sovs. One mile and a half. Weight for age.

Mr Nosworthy's ch f Sonambula, 3 yrs, 7st 8lb	(Richards)	1
Mr Delamain's br c Elfin King, 3 yrs, 7st 11lb	(J. Rae)	2
Captain Hutchison's br m Spritsail, 4 yrs, 8st 11lb	(Batty)	3

Mr Swanson's Sir William also ran.

Sonambula and Spritsail soon rushed to the front, and passing the stand the chestnut filly led. Opposite the stand there was a clear length and a half between each of the other horses. Then the King was let out, passed Spritsail at the three-quarter post, and endeavoured to catch Sonambula, who was standing in advance. Up the straight they flew, but Richards rode Mr Nosworthy's filly with great judgment, and she had plenty in hand as she passed the stand two clear lengths ahead of Elfin King. Time, 2min. 50sec.

NOVEL RACE, a handicap of 100 sovs. One mile and a half.

Mr White's ch g Lyndon, aged	1
Mr Goodman's b m Kathleen, 6 yrs	2
Mr Taggart's b g Boomerang, aged	3

Wee Lad, Earl of Lynne, and Verlena also ran. The Earl of Lynne, which ran fourth, was sold for £35.

THIRD DAY: THURSDAY, MARCH 25.

STEEPLECHASE.

Mr Barton's b g Ivanhoe, aged, 10st 4lb	1
Mr M'Kay's b g Banjo, aged, 9st 7lb	2
Mr M'Kay's c m Medora, aged, 11st	3

TOWN PLATE.

Mr Delamain's b h Templeton, 4 yrs, 9st	1
Mr Delamain's b c Hercules, 3 yrs, 7st 9lb	2

This was a walk-over, the rest of the horses being scratched.

MASTER ROWE STAKES.

Mr Blatch's g c Escher, 2 yrs, 8st 10lb	1
Mr Pritchard's bay colt, 2 yrs, 8st 10lb	2
Mr Waters' bay colt, 2 yrs, 8st 10lb	3

FORBURY HANDICAP.

Mr Coombes' b h Right Bower, 5 yrs	1
Mr Nosworthy's br h Tadmor, 3 yrs	2

FLYING HANDICAP.

Mr Nosworthy's ch f Sonambula, 3 yrs	1
Mr Cotton's br m Envy, aged	2

BENEVOLENT HURRY SCURRY.

Mr White's Lyndon, aged	1
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CONSOLATION.

Mr Delamain's b c Hercules, 3 yrs	1
Mr Cotton's br m Envy, aged	2

The Good Templars of Westport are about to erect a temperance hall in that town by means of a company, with a capital of £400, in £1 shares.

LAKE DISTRICT RACES.

The above turf meeting was held on 17th and 18th insts. On both days the attendance was very poor, and the local papers report the affair as flat and dispiriting. The entries for the various events were confined to district horses, and Cardrona appears to have carried off the lion's share of prize money. Below are the results of the races:—

MAIDEN PLATE, of 20 sovs. Distance, one and a half miles.

Tuohy's bl g King Billy	1
Kerin's b g Freeze	2
M'Morran's b m Lelah	3

GRAND STAND HANDICAP, of 40 sovs., and a sweep of 2 sovs. each. Two miles.

Tuohy's g Port Philip Buck	1
M'Gibbon's b h Ivanhoe	2

HACK SELLING RACE, of 15 sovs. Heats, once round the course.

Kerin's Freeze	1
Douglas's Merrythought	2

WAKATIP HANDICAP, of 25 sovs. Open to district horses only. Two miles.

Tuohy's bl g Little Hawea	1
M'Gregor's b g Garryowen	2
M'Morran's ch g Roderick	3

DISTRICT HACK SELLING RACE, of 20 sovs. One and a half mile heats.

Kerin's Freeze	1
M'Gregor's b m Little Nell	2

The winner was sold for £26, realising £3 to the Club funds.

LAKE DISTRICT HANDICAP, of 60 sovs. Distance, two miles.

M'Gibbon's Ivanhoe, aged, 6st 7lb (White)	1
Grace's Flora, aged, 6st 7lb (Kirk)	2
Tuohy's Port Philip Buck, 9st 11lb (Evans)	3
Tuohy's Little Hawea, 10st 11lb (M'Nulty)	4

Hawea was a hot favourite for this, the big event of the meeting, but the weight imposed was too much for him.

HACK HURDLE RACE, of 20 sovs. Heats, once round the course.

This was a gift to the veteran Nigger, owned by Mr A. H. Douglas, Freeze and Jerry, the other competitors, not having "a show." The winner was piloted by Frank Phillips.

The Consolation (£20) was carried off by M'Morran's Lelah, against Garryowen.

M'Morran's Roderick added another hospital stakes of £9 to his already large account.

Sewing on Buttons.

A facetious contemporary thus describes the male process of sewing on buttons:—"It is bad enough to see a bachelor sew on a button, but he is the embodiment of grace alongside of a married man. Necessity has compelled experience in the case of the former, but the latter has always depended upon someone else for the service, and fortunately for the sake of society, it is rarely that he is obliged to resort to the needle himself. Sometimes the patient wife scolds her hand, or runs a splinter under the nail of the index finger of that hand, and it is then that the man clutches the needle around the neck, and forgetting to tie a knot in the thread, commences to put on the button. It is always in the morning, and five to twenty minutes after he is expected to be down the street. He lays the button exactly on the site of its predecessor, and pushes the needle through one eye, and draws the thread after, leaving about three inches of it sticking up for leeway. He says to himself:—"Well, if women don't have the easiest time I ever see." Then he comes back the other way, and gets the needle through the cloth well enough, and lays himself out to find the eye, but in spite of a great deal of jobbing, the needle point persists in backing against the solid parts of that button, and finally when he loses patience his fingers catch the thread, and that three inches he had left to hold the button slips through the eye in a twinkling, and the button rolls leisurely across the floor. He picks it up without a single remark, out of respect for his children, and makes another attempt to fasten it. This time, when coming back with the needle, he keeps both the thread and the button from slipping by covering them with his thumb, and it is out of regard for that part of him that he feels around for the eye in a very careful and judicious manner; but eventually losing his philosophy, as the search becomes more and more hopeless, he falls to jobbing about in a loose and savage manner, and it is just then the needle finds the opening, and comes up through the button, and part way through his thumb with a celerity that no human ingenuity can guard against. Then he lays down the things with a few familiar quotations, and presses the injured hand between his knees, and then holds it under his arm, and finally jams it into his mouth, and all the while he prances about the floor and calls upon heaven and earth to witness that there has never been anything like it since the world was created, and howls, and whistles, and moans, and sobs, until after a while he calms down, and puts on his pants, and fastens them together with a stick, and goes to his business a changed man."

The match played last week between Otago and South Canterbury created much excitement in cricketing circles, and resulted in a draw. Some pretty play was shown by the teams selected, and the numerous assemblage at the South Recreation Ground were liberal in bestowing marks of their approbation. The Otago team in their first innings scored 186, and 31 for the loss of three wickets in their second 161, thus leaving Otago 48 runs to get to win. Had the Otago men been punctual on the ground on the second day they would probably have scored an easy victory.

PROVINCIAL AND COLONIAL.

At Oamaru, a publican named Schluter has been fined £10 for selling liquor on Sunday.

The Hon. R. Campbell, before leaving the Province for England, made a donation of £200 to the funds of the Oamaru hospital.

It is said that upon the election of Sir George Grey as Superintendent, the Executive will resign in a body, in order to give Sir George an opportunity of making his own choice of members.

Father Simpson, Catholic priest, Auckland, engaged in the celebration of mass one morning recently, fainted, owing to exhaustion from Lent fasting. The event caused a sensation and alarm in church, but the priest soon recovered when carried into the air.

The volunteers in Christchurch complain greatly of the worn-out condition of their rifles, and many threaten to resign unless other rifles are substituted. The rifles were served out twelve years ago, and were then second-hand.

The *West Coast Times*, in apologising for the possibly unsatisfactory reports of the proceedings of the Council which appear in its columns, says the members "talk enough of a night to require the publication in the morning of a paper as big as an ordinary counterpane or the canvas cover of an eight-horse waggon."

The Nelson *Colonist* is responsible for the following:—"We hear that a man exists in this Province who has drunk two gallons of beer every day for twenty-six years. Having a quiet sort of regard for this gentleman, we have gone into figures, and find that he has stowed away £140 worth of beer a year, or during the twenty-six years, £4796 worth."

At Ohinemuri the other day, when a man was brought up for stealing some preserved meat, beer, etc., at a store, the proceedings were threatened with sudden extinction by the fact that a Testament or a Bible, on which to swear the witness, was not procurable. Here were 1200 men and no Bibles! Packs of cards could have been got in plenty. A detachment of the Armed Constabulary was told off to search for a Testament, and ultimately it turned out that one of the officials of the Warden's office had one.

On the occasion of Sir George Grey addressing the electors at Grahamstown on 20th inst., one of the reporters of the Auckland *Star* had a page of the *Advertiser* photographed next morning on a reduced size, about three inches square, and started pigeons off with copies for Auckland, the object being to get Sir George's address in the evening issue without paying the telegraphic rates charged to the evening papers. The reduced photographs were perfectly legible.

It has been reserved for Naseby to witness a house go up in a whirlwind. On Tuesday afternoon, during a heavy gale, a small un-floored iron house in Naseby was suddenly lifted up bodily a few feet, and carried several yards. Inside was a woman and child. She, throwing herself bodily upon the child, fortunately was protected by a table, and escaped unhurt. The articles of furniture were quickly gathered up, and a new habitation found for the family evicted without notice.

Some of the Nelson citizens are greatly disappointed at the conduct of certain members of the City Council, and have got up a requisition to a local chimney-sweep, asking him to come forward as a candidate to fill a vacancy now in the Council, the opinion being that if he is elected the City Council will resign in a body. The requisition has been largely signed. [The sweep was duly nominated, but it was afterwards found he did not possess the necessary qualification—a discovery which afforded the "respectable" burgesses much gratification.]

The man Patrick Carey, charged with using "crooked" dice, and thereby robbing one Pierce, a billiard-marker in Port Lyttelton, was on the 18th instant committed for trial on a charge of obtaining money under false pretences. Sergeant Maguire stated, in his examination, that on searching the prisoner's portmanteau he found fourteen dice; two of them loaded. It was proved by throwing them that on five out of six occasions the six turned up. He also found various other gambling tools in the portmanteau, notably a bottle containing fifteen marbles and a parti-coloured cloth. Bail was refused.

The Hawke's Bay *Telegraph* thus pitches into one of its printers:—"Are compositors responsible beings—are they accountable for the errors they make in 'setting up?' When writing our theatrical notice on Saturday, we wrote plainly enough when 'her lover became cognisant of the extent of clay there was in the idol he had worshipped,' one of our talented members of the Typographical Society altered the words we have italicised to 'The idiot he had horsewhipped.' These kind of things constantly occur. We would like to inform our fellow-townsmen of this embryonic genius, but we are timorous in so doing lest he should be offered a permanent appointment in the Government Printing Office in Wellington, where a reader is supposed to read after eight or ten good comps only.

Many people (says the Dunedin *Star* of the 20th inst.) will be surprised to learn that one of our main streets consists in some parts of a crust of metal about three inches in thickness. A coal-laden one-horse dray was standing this afternoon in High-street opposite the Occidental Hotel, when the road suddenly sank in and the horse fell, one of its hind legs disappearing from sight altogether. After a good deal of manoeuvring the unlucky animal was extricated, when a large hollow, extending some distance beneath the surface of the road, became visible. A sound of rushing water came from this hole, from which it would appear that the road is being undermined by some drain.

SELECTIONS.

Plants for Sand-Binding Purposes.

The following has a local application which is well worth serious consideration:—

The *New York Tribune* states that between San Francisco and Cliff House, and also in other places, the sand of the beach is wafted inland badly, and the reclamation of sand-dunes is becoming important. The Paris Commissioners of San Francisco are taking the matter in hand, and, like wise people, they are studying nature's method of reclamation and deriving useful hints from it. As the old sand-hills show, Nature there does the work mainly by means of two shrubby species of Lupine. The particular advantage possessed by these Lupines came to view when some deep cuttings were made through one of these old sand formations; although the bushes seldom rose above three feet in height, the roots were traced to a depth of more than 25 feet; and they also extend laterally in a corresponding way. As it is this deep growth of root which enables these plants to hold their own in drifting sand, penetrating as they do into a stratum unaffected by drouth, so, also, it is the looseness of the sand and gravel that allows the roots to penetrate so promptly and so far. The only thing needful in the way of help is to protect the germinating Lupines from being overwhelmed with sand at the first, through the driving storms of winter and spring. That is done by sowing barley with the Lupine seed; this in 10 or 12 days from sowing, gets strong and high enough to hold the drift; and by the time the barley dies off the Lupine plants have got their roots deep enough into the ground and their upward growth so well above it as to fix the soil effectually. On our eastern coast, and the shores of our great lakes, these two Lupines would not endure the winter. But our own herbaceous species would do nearly as well. We would also recommend another perennial plant of the same family, the *Periphosia Virginiana* of botanists, which affects sandy soils, and which on account of its long, slender, and very tough roots, is in some parts of the country called catgut. These roots, running horizontally and far, would bind the shifting sand as effectually as certain sand-grasses and sedges, and which are used for the same purpose in Europe. There is a sand-willow on the Californian coast of insignificant height, the roots of which have been found to extend to the distance of 120 feet from the plant itself.

Extraordinary Scene in a Church.

A correspondent writes:—"On Sunday morning the service at the Irvingite Cathedral, at Albury, near Guildford—a building which was erected at a cost of £60,000, by the late Mr Henry Drummond—was interrupted in a somewhat alarming manner. The service had proceeded to the reading of the prayers, when Captain Symes, a member of the congregation, was observed to leave his seat. He at once ascended the stairs and entered the pulpit. Closing the door, he stretched forth his hands and addressed the congregation. He said he was commissioned by God to deliver a message, which would not be heard with favour. At this juncture several of the church officials rushed up the pulpit stairs and begged the gallant captain to desist. The request was met by the captain drawing a sword from a sheath, which was concealed under his coat, and, waving it over his head, he said that if any person interfered with him in the delivery of his message, he would run him through to the heart. A precipitate retreat was made by the officials, and in the meantime Captain Symes proceeded to address the congregation, warning them that it was his duty to tell them that perdition was their fate if they continued in their present faith. Mr Armstrong, a barrister-at-law, and an intimate friend of Captain Symes, left his seat, and running up the pulpit stairs, begged him to come down. The captain raised his sword, and, striking Mr Armstrong across the hand, nearly cut off one of his fingers. The alarm caused by this extraordinary conduct was very great. The ladies of the congregation screamed, and many of them fainted. The male portion of the congregation left their seats, and assembling in knots in the aisles of the church, called to Captain Symes to come down. One gentleman, undeterred by the injury inflicted on Mr Armstrong, ascended the pulpit stairs to expostulate with the captain. The only reply he received was the presentation at his head of a loaded revolver. Hearing the 'click' of the weapon, he slid down the stairs on his back, and hid behind the staircase. During this scene the Duke and Duchess of Northumberland, who are regular attendants of the church, left their seats. The Duchess fainted, and was carried from the church by her attendants. Captain Symes had now full possession of the pulpit, and, striking the sword on the Bible he proceeded in a loud tone to deliver what he termed his message, amidst the screaming of the females and vociferous calls to 'come down' of the males. The officials of the church had by this time armed themselves with long poles, and with these they went to the pulpit, and after a tremendous scuffle, succeeded in knocking the sword and revolver out of the hands of the captain. They then laid hold of him, and dragged him down the pulpit stairs. As the captain violently resisted, a rope was procured, and with it he was bound hand and foot, and tied to one of the pillars of the building. He was subsequently given in charge to the police, and on the following day was brought before a magistrate. On the certificates of two surgeons he was removed to an asylum.

One of Lever's Heroes in Real Life.

Among the American items of news by last mail was the account of a fatal shooting by a San Francisco photographer, the victim being a Major Larkyns, seducer of the wife of his slayer. The extraordinary career of the murdered man will no doubt be read with some interest.

Larkyns was a man of infinite adventure. He was one of Charles Lever's heroes in real life. As the younger son of a rich Scotchman, he got a deal of learning and a little lucre. A few years of life on the Continent added to the former and swept away the latter. While he was living royally on his principal, he seems to have amused himself with plotting dire destruction for the crowned heads of Europe. He carried a musket under Garibaldi, and is said to have belonged to Mazzini's secret league. The spies of Europe knew him. He grew accustomed to be escorted across frontiers by two policemen. He was without only an amateur conspirator. Plots fascinated him. He declared that he never meant to do any harm, and indeed his schemes always failed. Perhaps he felt that he was to reign himself. But we anticipate. When Larkyns came home, accomplished and penniless, from his wanderings, his relatives bought him an army commission. He sailed for India to join the regiment. Arrived there, he soon wearied of the routine, and sold out of the service, and started for Central Asia. There his fortune culminated. He fell into the good graces of a heathen potentate, administered his government for him, and finally freed him from all further care in the matter by making himself a rajah. He succeeded to the palace, the harem, and the treasury of the man he had expelled, and led a life of barbaric magnificence.

After six years of solitary splendour he wearied of the cares of state. He decamped at night, and betook himself and a trunkful of diamonds to London. His family naturally killed the fattest calf in his honour, but he quarrelled with them soon, and bade them good-bye for ever. This made dependance on them impossible, when, soon after, an unlucky speculation robbed him of the spoils of his rajahship. His beggary and the outbreak of the Franco-German war were coincident. He was soon fighting as Major Larkyns, on General Bourbaki's staff. Bravery gave him the cross of the Legion of Honour, and then, at Metz, a wound. He limped through the campaign, which ended at Sedan, and was captured with his pro tem monarch. He fades out of view as a prisoner of war at Sedan, and re-appears as a soldier of fortune at Salt Lake City in the winter of 1872. Thence he wandered to Honolulu, back to San Francisco and into a 'Frisco gaol. The failure of the man who had cashed his fictitious drafts to prosecute him set him free. The ex-King became a coal-heaver. As a day labourer, as a stovedore, as a clerk, as a translator, as a critic correspondent, he worked to gain money and regain reputation. He was well employed at Calistoga when the end came. A jealous San Francisco husband hurried thither with Larkyns' letters in his hand. He called Larkyns to the door, and the doomed man came. There was a cry of "Throw up your hands," an oath, a flash, and the dull thud of a bullet and the man of the world went out of the world. The wages of sin was death. He might have done much; but he preferred to enjoy much; and this was the ghastly end of an odd life. Among the queerest of the queer crowd that will rise from California soil when the last trump sounds will be the late Larkyns.

Mr Smiley goes Rabbit-Shooting.

Recently it occurred to Mr Smiley, of Darbey, that it would be a good thing to go out and see if he couldn't shoot a rabbit or two. He always kept his gun loaded and ready in the corner of the room, so merely shouldered it and went out. After a while he saw a rabbit, and taking aim, he pulled the trigger. The gun failed to go off. Then he pulled the other trigger, and the cap snapped again. Mr Smiley used some extreme language, and then, taking a pin, he picked the nipples of the gun, primed them with a little powder, and started again. Presently he saw another rabbit, but both caps snapped again. The rabbit did not see Smiley, so he put on more caps and they snapped too. Then Smiley cleaned out the nipples again, primed them, and fired the gun off at a fence. Then the caps snapped again. Then Smiley became furious, and in his rage he expended forty-seven caps in an effort to make that gun go off. When the forty-seven caps missed also, Smiley thought there might be something the matter with the inside of the gun, so he tried the barrels with his ramrod. To his utter dismay he discovered that both barrels were empty. Mrs Smiley, who is nervous about firearms, had drawn the loads without telling Smiley, for fear of making him angry. If there had been a wolkin anywhere about, it would probably have been made to ring with Mr Smiley's excited denunciations of Mrs Smiley. Finally, however, he became cooler, and loading both barrels, he started again after rabbits. He saw one in a few moments, and was about to fire, when he noticed that there were no caps on the gun. He felt for one, and to his dismay found that he had snapped the last one off. Then he ground his teeth and walked home. On his way there he saw at least six hundred rabbits. He has been out hunting every day since, however, with his gun in first-rate order, and he has never laid eyes on a solitary rabbit. Smiley is beginning to think something is wrong in the government of the universe.—Max Adler.

Odds and Ends.

There is no class of citizens more looked up to than coach-drivers. The hardest thing to deal with.—An old pack of cards.

Men who travel bare-footed around, a newly-carpeted bed-room often find themselves on the wrong tack.

Gold frames do very well for paintings, but when it comes to "frames of mind" the less gilt the better.

The marriage service has been practised on in Iowa until the justice simply says—"Jine hands—thar, yer hitched!"

A Jersey City lawyer was making a high-flown speech, the other day, telling about angels' tears, weeping willows, and tombstones, when his Honor said, "Confine your remarks to the dog-fight."

We do not remember to have seen any epitaph in which a man's virtues are more concisely stated than that upon the late Mr Mink:—

'The angels to-night in their mansions of light,
Are a waltzing round Anthony Mink;
He was faithful and kind as any you'll find,
And gin was his favourite drink.'

A couple of members of the darkey conference were passing down the avenues when one trod on the indigestible portion of a pear, and as his number elevens went up, the rest of his being was correspondingly lowered. "Ki-yay, brudder Jones, is you fallin' from grace?" chuckled his companion. "Not prezactly, Deacon; I 'as sittin' on de ragged edge o' dis-pear."

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Self Help.—In sickness it was a momentous matter to find an easy, ready, and reliable remedy for outward disfigurements and inward disorders until these inestimable preparations were made known. No invalid need now be at a loss in successfully managing ulcers, sores, tumours, boils, bruises, sprains, &c. Enveloping Holloway's medicines are very intelligible printed directions for using them, which should be attentively studied and immediately followed by all who resort to his treatment. Sooner or later the sufferer will assuredly triumph over the worst diseases. This searching Ointment dispels all those malignant humours which aggravate diseases of the skin, prevent the cicatrization of ulcers, and ever kindle inflammatory tendencies in the system.

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MINING LEASES REGULATIONS.

PROVINCE OF OTAGO, NEW ZEALAND.

March 24, 1875.

To the Warden, Cromwell.

Sir,—I have this day paid to the District Surveyor the sum required for the survey of the following gold mining lease application, as required by the Gold Mining Leases Regulations of Otago, and I agree, upon the approval of this application, to execute a lease upon the bases therein stated, if the Governor or his Delegate shall think fit to grant the same.—I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

CHARLES COLCLOUGH.

Name and address in full of applicant.—Charles Colclough.

Style under which it is intended to conduct the business.—The Lowburn Sluicing and Mining Company.

Minimum number of men to be employed by the lessee.—For the first three months 4 men; subsequently, when in full work, 16 men.

Amount of capital proposed to be invested.—£5000.

Proposed mode of working the land.—By sluicing and driving.

Precise locality.—In the Lowburn flat above Perriam's farm, near Cromwell.

Term for which lease is required.—Fifteen years.

Time of commencing operations.—Already begun.

The above application and any objection thereto will be heard before me, at Cromwell, on 7th May, 1875. Any person desiring to object to the issue of a mining lease upon the above application, must, within 43 clear days from the date of such application enter his objection at my office.

W. LAWRENCE SIMPSON.

Warden.

Miscellaneous.

NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY.

RISKS TAKEN ON THE MOST LIBERAL TERMS.

JAMES MARSHALL,
Melmore-Street, Cromwell.

CROMWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Library contains an extensive variety of Books in every department of literature; and about £40 worth of New Works is expected to arrive shortly from Great Britain.

All the Provincial Newspapers, and a number of English Papers and Periodicals, are regularly received for the use of Subscribers.

Annual subscription, £1 1s; Half-yearly, 12s 6d; Quarterly, 7s 6d.

CROMWELL WATERWORKS.

Under authority of the Municipal Corporations Waterworks Act, 1872.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, that the Plan and Book of Reference required by the above Act, showing the properties about to be acquired by the Corporation for carrying out the proposed Waterworks, and the positions and the names of the present occupiers of the same, have been deposited at the Office of the Town Council, and may be inspected during reasonable hours for a period of three calendar months from the date hereof.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Town Clerk.

9th January 1875.

COACHING NOTICE.

THOMAS GILMOUR

Begs to announce to the public that after 1st January, 1875, he will run a coach as follows:—

Between Cromwell and CARDRONA, leaving Cromwell every TUESDAY morning and returning every WEDNESDAY afternoon.

Every exertion made to ensure punctuality.

Parcels carried at reasonable rates, and carefulness in delivery, etc., to be depended upon.

NOTICE.

POISON for DOGS will be laid on MOUNT PISA STATION on and after this date.
I. LOUGHNAN.
Mount Pisa, 12th May, 1870.

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Begs to intimate that he has made very extensive improvements in the above old establishment, and can now offer unrivalled accommodation, both for man and horse.

A large stock of GENERAL STORES & DRAPERY always on hand.

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All kinds of castings in Brass and Iron.

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Overshot, Breast, and Turbine Waterwheels; Quartz-crushing Machinery, Pumping and Wind-ing Gear.

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Country orders punctually attended to and carefully packed.

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The Hotel is commodious, well-furnished, and centrally situated.

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Proprietor.

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JAMES PATTERSON, late of Clyde, begs to inform his numerous up-country friends that he has leased the above hotel, which he has put in a thorough state of repair. He has spared no expense in making this large and well-known house a comfortable home for boarders; and visitors from up-country will have every attention paid to their welfare. This Hotel is conveniently situated, being within a very short distance of the Railway Station.

Wines and Spirits of the best qualities.

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Patent Medicine

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"Look into thy heart" and say it is not better for me to seek aid and get relief by writing to one man in whom I have confidence, with whom my secret is safe, and whose aid and counsel will cause my life hereafter to be happy, making me say with the proverb—"Rejoice, O, Young Man, in thy Youth."

"Look then into thy heart and write," for hundreds have written to me when it has been too late, and who, in place of having "Children like olive-branches round about their table," have their homes desolate, and feel it a reproach upon their manhood to live.

"Look then into thy heart and write," and remember that "As thy days, so shall thy strength be," and that by writing down your case, no eyes but my own see it, that relief mentally and physically can be given to you and that in place of sinking into a dishonored and premature death, you can feel that, in the words of Wordsworth—"An old age serene and bright, and lovely as a Lapland night, shall lead thee to thy grave."

LOUIS L. SMITH.

NERVOUSNESS, DEBILITY,

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